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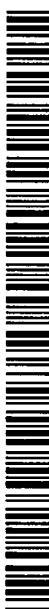
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(54) Title: MAMMALIAN RECEPTOR PROTEINS; RELATED REAGENTS AND METHODS

(57) Abstract: Nucleic acids encoding mammalian, e.g., primate, receptors, purified receptor proteins and fragments thereof. Antibodies, both polyclonal and monoclonal, are also provided. Methods of using the compositions for both diagnostic and therapeutic utilities are described.

MAMMALIAN RECEPTOR PROTEINS;
RELATED REAGENTS AND METHODS

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incorporated herein by reference.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

10 The present invention relates to compositions and methods
for affecting mammalian physiology, including immune system
function. In particular, it provides methods to regulate
development and/or the immune system. Diagnostic and
therapeutic uses of these materials are also disclosed.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Recombinant DNA technology refers generally to techniques
of integrating genetic information from a donor source into
vectors for subsequent processing, such as through introduction
20 into a host, whereby the transferred genetic information is
copied and/or expressed in the new environment. Commonly, the
genetic information exists in the form of complementary DNA
(cDNA) derived from messenger RNA (mRNA) coding for a desired
protein product. The carrier is frequently a plasmid having the
25 capacity to incorporate cDNA for later replication in a host
and, in some cases, actually to control expression of the cDNA
and thereby direct synthesis of the encoded product in the host.
See, e.g., Sambrook, et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning: A
Laboratory Manual, (2d ed.) vols. 1-3, CSH Press, NY.

30 For some time, it has been known that the mammalian immune
response is based on a series of complex cellular interactions,
called the "immune network". Recent research has provided new
insights into the inner workings of this network. While it
remains clear that much of the immune response does, in fact,
35 revolve around the network-like interactions of lymphocytes,
macrophages, granulocytes, and other cells, immunologists now

generally hold the opinion that soluble proteins, known as lymphokines, cytokines, or monokines, play critical roles in controlling these cellular interactions. Thus, there is considerable interest in the isolation, characterization, and 5 mechanisms of action of cell modulatory factors, an understanding of which will lead to significant advancements in the diagnosis and therapy of numerous medical abnormalities, e.g., immune system disorders.

10 Lymphokines apparently mediate cellular activities in a variety of ways. See, e.g., Paul (ed. 1996) Fundamental Immunology 3d ed., Raven Press, New York; and Thomson (ed. 1994) The Cytokine Handbook 2d ed., Academic Press, San Diego. They have been shown to support the proliferation, growth, and/or 15 differentiation of pluripotential hematopoietic stem cells into vast numbers of progenitors comprising diverse cellular lineages which make up a complex immune system. Proper and balanced interactions between the cellular components are necessary for a healthy immune response. The different cellular lineages often 20 respond in a different manner when lymphokines are administered in conjunction with other agents.

Cell lineages especially important to the immune response include two classes of lymphocytes: B-cells, which can produce and secrete immunoglobulins (proteins with the capability of 25 recognizing and binding to foreign matter to effect its removal), and T-cells of various subsets that secrete lymphokines and induce or suppress the B-cells and various other cells (including other T-cells) making up the immune network. These lymphocytes interact with many other cell types.

30 Research to better understand and treat various immune disorders has been hampered by the general inability to maintain cells of the immune system in vitro. Immunologists have discovered that culturing many of these cells can be accomplished through the use of T-cell and other cell supernatants, which contain various growth factors, including 35 many of the lymphokines.

Various growth and regulatory factors exist which modulate morphogenetic development. Many receptors for cytokines are

known. Often, there are at least two critical subunits in the functional receptor. See, e.g., Gonda and D'Andrea (1997) Blood 89:355-369; Presky, et al. (1996) Proc. Nat'l Acad. Sci. USA 93:14002-14007; Drachman and Kaushansky (1995) Curr. Opin. Hematol. 2:22-28; Theze (1994) Eur. Cytokine Netw. 5:353-368; and Lemmon and Schlessinger (1994) Trends Biochem. Sci. 19:459-463.

From the foregoing, it is evident that the discovery and development of new receptors, including ones similar to known receptors for lymphokines, should contribute to new therapies. In particular, the discovery and understanding of novel receptors for lymphokine-like molecules which enhance or potentiate the beneficial activities of other lymphokines would be highly advantageous. The present invention provides new receptors for ligands exhibiting similarity to cytokine like compositions and related compounds, and methods for their use.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is directed to novel receptors related to cytokine receptors, e.g., primate, cytokine receptor like molecular structures, designated DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunits (DCRS), and their biological activities. In particular, it provides descriptions of subunits designated DCRS3 (referring to two embodiments designated DCRS3.1 and DCRS3.2) and DCRS4 (referring to three embodiments designated DCRS4.1, DCRS4.2, and DCRS4.3). It includes nucleic acids coding for the polypeptides themselves and methods for their production and use. The nucleic acids of the invention are characterized, in part, by their homology to cloned complementary DNA (cDNA) sequences enclosed herein.

The present invention provides a composition of matter selected from: a substantially pure or recombinant: DCRS3 polypeptide comprising: at least three distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least four amino acids identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25; a substantially pure or recombinant DCRS3 polypeptide comprising at least two distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least five amino acids identical to segments of

SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25; a natural sequence DCRS3 comprising mature SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25; a fusion polypeptide comprising DCRS3 sequence; or DCRS4 polypeptide comprising: at least three distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least four amino acids 5 identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31; a substantially pure or recombinant DCRS4 polypeptide comprising at least two distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least five amino acids identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31; a natural sequence DCRS4 comprising mature SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 10 31; or a fusion polypeptide comprising DCRS4 sequence. In certain embodiments, the invention embraces such a substantially pure or isolated antigenic DCRS3 or DRS4 polypeptide, wherein the distinct nonoverlapping segments of identity: include one of at least eight amino acids; include one of at least four amino 15 acids and a second of at least five amino acids; include at least three segments of at least four, five, and six amino acids, or include one of at least twelve amino acids. Other embodiments include wherein the: DCRS3 polypeptide: comprises a mature sequence of Table 1; is an unglycosylated form of DCRS3; 20 is from a primate, such as a human; comprises at least seventeen amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25; exhibits at least four nonoverlapping segments of at least seven amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25; comprises a sequence of at least 3 amino acids on each side across an exon boundary; is a natural allelic variant 25 of DCRS3; has a length at least about 30 amino acids; exhibits at least two non-overlapping epitopes which are specific for a primate DCRS3; is glycosylated; has a molecular weight of at least 30 kD with natural glycosylation; is a synthetic polypeptide; is attached to a solid substrate; is conjugated to 30 another chemical moiety; is a 5-fold or less substitution from natural sequence; or is a deletion or insertion variant from a natural sequence; or DCRS4 polypeptide: comprises a mature sequence of Table 3; is an unglycosylated form of DCRS4; is from a primate, such as a human; comprises at least seventeen amino 35 acids of SEQ ID NO: 5; exhibits at least four nonoverlapping segments of at least seven amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31; comprises a sequence of at least 3 amino acids on each side

across an exon boundary; is a natural allelic variant of DCRS5; has a length at least about 30 amino acids; exhibits at least two non-overlapping epitopes which are specific for a primate DCRS5; is glycosylated; has a molecular weight of at least 30 kD

5 with natural glycosylation; is a synthetic polypeptide; is attached to a solid substrate; is conjugated to another chemical moiety; is a 5-fold or less substitution from natural sequence; or is a deletion or insertion variant from a natural sequence.

10 Still other embodiments include a composition comprising: a substantially pure DCRS3 and another cytokine receptor family member; a sterile DCRS3 polypeptide; the DCRS3 polypeptide and a carrier, wherein the carrier is: an aqueous compound, including water, saline, and/or buffer; and/or formulated for oral, rectal, nasal, topical, or parenteral administration; a

15 substantially pure DCRS4 and another cytokine receptor family member; a sterile DCRS4 polypeptide; the DCRS4 polypeptide and a carrier, wherein the carrier is: an aqueous compound, including water, saline, and/or buffer; and/or formulated for oral, rectal, nasal, topical, or parenteral administration. Fusion

20 polypeptide embodiments include those comprising: mature protein sequence of Table 1 or 3; a detection or purification tag, including a FLAG, His6, or Ig sequence; or sequence of another interferon receptor protein. Kit embodiments include those comprising such a polypeptide, and: a compartment comprising the

25 protein or polypeptide; or instructions for use or disposal of reagents in the kit.

Binding compound embodiments include, e.g., a binding compound comprising an antigen binding site from an antibody, which specifically binds to a natural: DCRS3 polypeptide, wherein: the binding compound is in a container; the DCRS3 polypeptide is from a human; the binding compound is an Fv, Fab, or Fab2 fragment; the binding compound is conjugated to another chemical moiety; or the antibody: is raised against a peptide sequence of a mature polypeptide of Table 1; is raised against a mature DCRS3; is raised to a purified human DCRS3; is immunoselected; is a polyclonal antibody; binds to a denatured DCRS3; exhibits a Kd to antigen of at least 30 μ M; is attached

to a solid substrate, including a bead or plastic membrane; is in a sterile composition; or is detectably labeled, including a radioactive or fluorescent label; or DCRS4 polypeptide, wherein: the binding compound is in a container; the DCRS4 polypeptide is 5 from a human; the binding compound is an Fv, Fab, or Fab2 fragment; the binding compound is conjugated to another chemical moiety; or the antibody: is raised against a peptide sequence of a mature polypeptide of Table 3; is raised against a mature DCRS4; is raised to a purified human DCRS4; is immunoselected; 10 is a polyclonal antibody; binds to a denatured DCRS4; exhibits a Kd to antigen of at least 30 μ M; is attached to a solid substrate, including a bead or plastic membrane; is in a sterile composition; or is detectably labeled, including a radioactive or fluorescent label. Kits include those comprising the binding 15 compound, and: a compartment comprising the binding compound; or instructions for use or disposal of reagents in the kit.

Methods are provided, e.g., of producing an antigen:antibody complex, comprising contacting under appropriate conditions: a primate DCRS3 polypeptide with a 20 described antibody, thereby allowing the complex to form; or a primate DCRS4 polypeptide with a described antibody, thereby allowing the complex to form. This includes wherein: the complex is purified from other cytokine receptors; the complex is purified from other antibody; the contacting is with a sample 25 comprising another cytokine; the contacting allows quantitative detection of the antigen; the contacting is with a sample comprising the antibody; or the contacting allows quantitative detection of the antibody.

Various related compositions are provided, e.g., a 30 composition comprising: a sterile binding compound, as described, or the described binding compound and a carrier, wherein the carrier is: an aqueous compound, including water, saline, and/or buffer; and/or formulated for oral, rectal, nasal, topical, or parenteral administration.

35 Nucleic acid embodiments include, e.g., an isolated or recombinant nucleic acid encoding the DCRS3 polypeptide, wherein the: DCRS3 is from a human; or the nucleic acid: encodes an

antigenic peptide sequence of Table 1; encodes a plurality of antigenic peptide sequences of Table 1; exhibits identity over at least thirteen nucleotides to a natural cDNA encoding the segment; is an expression vector; further comprises an origin of 5 replication; is from a natural source; comprises a detectable label; comprises synthetic nucleotide sequence; is less than 6 kb, preferably less than 3 kb; is from a primate; comprises a natural full length coding sequence; is a hybridization probe for a gene encoding the DCRS3; or is a PCR primer, PCR product, 10 or mutagenesis primer; or an isolated or recombinant nucleic acid encoding the DCRS4 polypeptide, wherein the: DCRS4 is from a human; or the nucleic acid: encodes an antigenic peptide sequence of Table 3; encodes a plurality of antigenic peptide sequences of Table 3; exhibits identity over at least thirteen 15 nucleotides to a natural cDNA encoding the segment; is an expression vector; further comprises an origin of replication; is from a natural source; comprises a detectable label; comprises synthetic nucleotide sequence; is less than 6 kb, preferably less than 3 kb; is from a primate; comprises a 20 natural full length coding sequence; is a hybridization probe for a gene encoding the DCRS4; or is a PCR primer, PCR product, or mutagenesis primer. Other embodiments of the invention include a cell or tissue comprising the described recombinant nucleic acid. Preferably, the cell is: a prokaryotic cell; a 25 eukaryotic cell; a bacterial cell; a yeast cell; an insect cell; a mammalian cell; a mouse cell; a primate cell; or a human cell.

Kit embodiments include those comprising a described nucleic acid, and: a compartment comprising the nucleic acid; a compartment further comprising a primate DCRS3 or DCRS4 30 polypeptide; or instructions for use or disposal of reagents in the kit.

Alternative nucleic acid embodiments include a nucleic acid which: hybridizes under wash conditions of 30 minutes at 30° C and less than 2M salt to the coding portion of: SEQ ID NO: 1, 35 24, 4, 27, or 30; or exhibits identity over a stretch of at least about 30 nucleotides to a primate DCRS3 or DCRS4.

Preferred embodiments include those wherein: the wash conditions

are at 45° C and/or 500 mM salt; the wash conditions are at 55° C and/or 150 mM salt; the stretch is at least 55 nucleotides; or the stretch is at least 75 nucleotides.

Other methods include those of modulating physiology or 5 development of a cell or tissue culture cells comprising contacting the cell with an agonist or antagonist of a mammalian DCRS3 or DCRS4. Preferably, the cell is transformed with a nucleic acid encoding a DCRS3 or DCRS4 and another cytokine receptor subunit.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

OUTLINE

- I. General
- 15 II. Activities
- III. Nucleic acids
 - A. encoding fragments, sequence, probes
 - B. mutations, chimeras, fusions
 - C. making nucleic acids
 - 20 D. vectors, cells comprising
- IV. Proteins, Peptides
 - A. fragments, sequence, immunogens, antigens
 - B. muteins
 - C. agonists/antagonists, functional equivalents
 - 25 D. making proteins
- V. Making nucleic acids, proteins
 - A. synthetic
 - B. recombinant
 - C. natural sources
- 30 VI. Antibodies
 - A. polyclonals
 - B. monoclonal
 - C. fragments; Kd
 - D. anti-idiotypic antibodies
 - 35 E. hybridoma cell lines
- VII. Kits and Methods to quantify DCRS
 - A. ELISA
 - B. assay mRNA encoding
 - C. qualitative/quantitative
 - 40 D. kits
- VIII. Therapeutic compositions, methods
 - A. combination compositions
 - B. unit dose
 - C. administration
- 45 IX. Screening

X. Ligands

I. General

The present invention provides the amino acid sequences and 5 DNA sequences of mammalian, herein primate, cytokine receptor-like subunit molecules, these designated DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunit 3 (DCRS3; 50R) and DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunit 4 (DCRS4; cytor) having particular defined properties, both structural and biological. Various cDNAs encoding these 10 molecules were obtained from primate, e.g., human, cDNA sequence libraries. Other primate or other mammalian counterparts would also be desired.

Some of the standard methods applicable are described or referenced, e.g., in Maniatis, et al. (1982) Molecular Cloning, 15 A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor Press; Sambrook, et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, (2d ed.), vols. 1-3, CSH Press, NY; Ausubel, et al., Biology, Greene Publishing Associates, Brooklyn, NY; or Ausubel, et al. (1987 and periodic supplements) Current 20 Protocols in Molecular Biology, Greene/Wiley, New York; each of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Nucleotide (SEQ ID NO: 1) and corresponding amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO: 2) of a human DCRS3 coding segment are shown in Table 1; likewise for the DCRS3.2 as SEQ ID NO: 24 and 25; comparison of DCRS3.1 and DCRS3.2 polypeptide sequences is shown also in Table 1. Reverse translations based upon the universal genetic code are provided in Table 2; comparison of the encoding nucleic acid sequences is also presented in Table 2. The sequences are derived from genomic sequence at 30 chromosome location clones CIT987SK-582J2 HUAC004525 and CIT987-SKA-670B5 HUAC002303, at 16p12, and other cDNA sequences. The predicted signal sequence is indicated, but may depend on cell type, or may be a few residues in either direction. The transmembrane segment (SEQ ID NO: 2) is predicted to run from 35 about leu248-ser264 (glu242-his268). Predicted fibronectin domain runs from about asn128-tyr220; cytokine receptor WS box from about trp224-ser228; conserved disulfide motif between

cys6-cys26; second conserved disulfide linkage at cys65-cys89; five N glycosylation sites at Asn residues 61, 97, 121, 128, and 145; seven cAMP PK sites at lys4; lys68; lys184; arg191; arg201; lys202; and lys292; fourteen Ca phosphorylation sites at thr71, 5 ser130, ser187, ser205, ser237, ser182, ser195, ser310, ser317, thr323, ser374, ser385, ser403, and thr499; five myristoly sites at gly174, gly303, gly439, gly449, and gly466; four PKC phosphorylation sites at ser7, ser147, ser180, and ser264; and one tyrosine kinase site at lys163.

10 Exon boundaries are predicted to be about between nucleotides g49-c50, g230-g231, g284-g285, a484-g485, g597-a598, g775-a776, g875-g876, and g957-a958. Because the sequences have been derived from genomic sequence, in which the introns have not been spliced out, particularly important compositions will 15 be those which encode segments across the boundaries, e.g., both nucleic acid sequence and amino acid sequence. The segments will comprise, e.g., segments across the boundary which may comprise 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 20, 25, 30, 35, 50, or more nucleotides on either or both sides adjacent to an exon 20 boundary, or 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 amino acids on either or both sides adjacent a boundary. The lengths on either side need not be the same for purposes of novelty, e.g., three amino acids on one side and 5 on the other side. Thus, e.g., compositions are provided comprising, e.g., 15 contiguous nucleotides across a 25 boundary, of which at least 6 are from each side. Similarly, compositions are provided, e.g., comprising at least 3 amino acids from each side of the exon boundary, with a matching of at least 8 amino acids across the boundary. Also provided are compositions comprising a plurality of such segments across 30 multiple exon boundaries, which different segments need not have the same length limitations. Thus, the invention provides a nucleic acid comprising, e.g., at least 5 nucleotides in each side across the exon 1/2 boundary, and at least 4 nucleotides on either side of the the exon 3/4, 4/5, 5/6, and/or 6/7 35 boundaries. Natural sequence compositions would be preferred.

Nucleotide (SEQ ID NO: 4) and corresponding amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO: 5) of a human DCRS4 coding segment are

shown in Table 3; likewise for the DCRS4.2 as SEQ ID NO: 27 and 28 and the DCRS4.3 as SEQ ID NO: 30 and 31; comparison of DCRS4 polypeptide sequences is shown also in Table 3. Reverse translations based upon the universal genetic code are provided 5 in Table 4; comparison of the encoding nucleic acid sequences is also presented in Table 4. The sequence of DCRS4.1 is derived from genomic sequence at chromosome location 6q24.1-25.2, within some 50 kb of IFN γ R1 chain. The predicted DCRS4.1 signal sequence is indicated, but may depend on cell type, or may be a 10 few residues in either direction. This embodiment of the receptor lacks a transmembrane segment, which is unusual, but there is precedent for soluble forms of cytokine receptor subunits. See, e.g., IL-12R α (p40 subunit) and the EBI3 receptor 15 subunit homolog. For the DCRS4.1, the predicted cytokine receptor domain from pro10-arg49; conserved disulfide motif between cys57-cys65; five N glycosylation sites at Asn residues 35, 131, 136, 157, and 174; four cAMP PK sites at arg30, lys98, lys106, and lys156; eight Ca phosphorylation sites at thr4, thr60, ser64, thr68, thr71, ser159, ser176, and ser220; three 20 myristoly sites at gly89, gly103, and gly186; three PKC phosphorylation sites at ser7, ser97, and ser217; one amidation site at tyr79; one cAMP phosphorylation site at lys98; and two CK2 phosphorylation sites at ser3 and ser159. Exon boundaries are predicted to be about between nucleotides c59-a60; t197- 25 a198, g206-a207, g430-c431, and g601-a602. Alignment with the other DCRS4 embodiments is provided. As described above, compositions with sequence across the exon boundaries are provided.

30 Table 1: Nucleotide and polypeptide sequences of DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunit like embodiments (DCRS3.1; 50R). Primate, e.g., human embodiment (see SEQ ID NO: 1 and 2). Predicted signal sequence indicated, but may vary by a few positions and depending upon cell type.

35 atg ccg cgt ggc tgg gcc ccc ttg ctc ctg ctg ctc cag gga 48
Met Pro Arg Gly Trp Ala Ala Pro Leu Leu Leu Leu Leu Gln Gly
-20 -15 -10 -5

40 gcc ctc gag ggg atg gag aag ctc tgc agt ccc aag cca ccc ccc 96
Ala Leu Glu Gly Met Glu Arg Lys Leu Cys Ser Pro Lys Pro Pro Pro
-1 1 5 10

acc aag gcc tct ctc ccc act gac cct cca ggc tgg ggc tgc ccc gac 144

	Thr Lys Ala Ser Leu Pro Thr Asp Pro Pro Gly Trp Gly Cys Pro Asp			
	15	20	25	
5	ctc gtc tgc tac acc gat tac ctc cag acg gtc atc tgc atc ctg gaa			192
	Leu Val Cys Tyr Thr Asp Tyr Leu Gln Thr Val Ile Cys Ile Leu Glu			
	30	35	40	
10	atg tgg aac ctc cac ccc agc acg ctc acc ctt acc tgg ata ctt tct			240
	Met Trp Asn Leu His Pro Ser Thr Leu Thr Leu Thr Trp Ile Leu Ser			
	45	50	55	60
	aat aat act ggg tgc tat atc aag gac aga aca ctg gac ctc agg caa			288
	Asn Asn Thr Gly Cys Tyr Ile Lys Asp Arg Thr Leu Asp Leu Arg Gln			
	65	70	75	
15	gac cag tat gaa gag ctg aag gac gag gcc acc tcc tgc agc ctc cac			336
	Asp Gln Tyr Glu Glu Leu Lys Asp Glu Ala Thr Ser Cys Ser Leu His			
	80	85	90	
20	agg tcg gcc cac aat gcc acg cat gcc acc tac acc tgc cac atg gat			384
	Arg Ser Ala His Asn Ala Thr His Ala Thr Tyr Thr Cys His Met Asp			
	95	100	105	
25	gta ttc cac ttc atg gcc gac gac att ttc agt gtc aac atc aca gac			432
	Val Phe His Phe Met Ala Asp Asp Ile Phe Ser Val Asn Ile Thr Asp			
	110	115	120	
30	cag tct ggc aac tac tcc cag gag tgt ggc agc ttt ctc ctg gct gag			480
	Gln Ser Gly Asn Tyr Ser Gln Glu Cys Gly Ser Phe Leu Leu Ala Glu			
	125	130	135	140
	agc aga cag tat aat atc tcc tgg cgc tca gat tac gaa gac cct gcc			528
	Ser Arg Gln Tyr Asn Ile Ser Trp Arg Ser Asp Tyr Glu Asp Pro Ala			
	145	150	155	
35	ttc tac atg ctg aag ggc aag ctt cag tat gag ctg cag tac agg aac			576
	Phe Tyr Met Leu Lys Gly Lys Leu Gln Tyr Glu Leu Gln Tyr Arg Asn			
	160	165	170	
40	cgg gga gac ccc tgg gct gtg agt ccg agg aga aag ctg atc tca gtg			624
	Arg Gly Asp Pro Trp Ala Val Ser Pro Arg Arg Lys Leu Ile Ser Val			
	175	180	185	
45	gac tca aga agt gtc tcc ctc ctc ccc ctg gag ttc cgc aaa gac tcg			672
	Asp Ser Arg Ser Val Ser Leu Leu Pro Leu Glu Phe Arg Lys Asp Ser			
	190	195	200	
50	agc tat gag ctg cag gtg cgg gca ggg ccc atg cct ggc tcc tcc tac			720
	Ser Tyr Glu Leu Gln Val Arg Ala Gly Pro Met Pro Gly Ser Ser Tyr			
	205	210	215	220
	cag ggg acc tgg agt gaa tgg agt gac ccg gtc atc ttt cag acc cag			768
	Gln Gly Thr Trp Ser Glu Trp Ser Asp Pro Val Ile Phe Gln Thr Gln			
	225	230	235	
55	tca gag gag tta aag gaa ggc tgg aac cct cac ctg ctg ctt ctc ctc			816
	Ser Glu Glu Leu Lys Glu Gly Trp Asn Pro His Leu Leu Leu Leu			
	240	245	250	
60	ctg ctt gtc ata gtc ttc att cct gcc ttc tgg agc ctg aag acc cat			864

	Leu Leu Val Ile Val Phe Ile Pro Ala Phe Trp Ser Leu Lys Thr His					
	255	260	265			
5	cca ttg tgg agg cta tgg aag aag ata tgg gcc gtc ccc agc cct gag Pro Leu Trp Arg Leu Trp Lys Lys Ile Trp Ala Val Pro Ser Pro Glu	270	275	280	912	
10	cgg ttc ttc atg ccc ctg tac aag ggc tgc agc gga gac ttc aag aaa Arg Phe Phe Met Pro Leu Tyr Lys Gly Cys Ser Gly Asp Phe Lys Lys	285	290	295	300	960
	tgg gtg ggt gca ccc ttc act ggc tcc agc ctg gag ctg gga ccc tgg Trp Val Gly Ala Pro Phe Thr Gly Ser Ser Leu Glu Leu Gly Pro Trp	305	310	315	1008	
15	agc cca gag gtg ccc tcc acc ctg gag gtg tac agc tgc cac cca cca Ser Pro Glu Val Pro Ser Thr Leu Glu Val Tyr Ser Cys His Pro Pro	320	325	330	1056	
20	cgg agc ccg gcc aag agg ctg cag ctc acg gag cta caa gaa cca gca Arg Ser Pro Ala Lys Arg Leu Gln Leu Thr Glu Leu Gln Glu Pro Ala	335	340	345	1104	
25	gag ctg gtg gag tct gac ggt gtg ccc aag ccc agc ttc tgg ccg aca Glu Leu Val Glu Ser Asp Gly Val Pro Lys Pro Ser Phe Trp Pro Thr	350	355	360	1152	
30	gcc cag aac tcg ggg ggc tca gct tac agt gag gag agg gat cgg cca Ala Gln Asn Ser Gly Ser Ala Tyr Ser Glu Glu Arg Asp Arg Pro	365	370	375	380	1200
	tac ggc ctg gtg tcc att gac aca gtg act gtg cta gat gca gag ggg Tyr Gly Leu Val Ser Ile Asp Thr Val Thr Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly	385	390	395	1248	
35	cca tgc acc tgg ccc tgc agc tgt gag gat gac ggc tac cca gcc ctg Pro Cys Thr Trp Pro Cys Ser Cys Glu Asp Asp Gly Tyr Pro Ala Leu	400	405	410	1296	
40	gac ctg gat gct ggc ctg gag ccc agc cca ggc cta gag gac cca ctc Asp Leu Asp Ala Gly Leu Glu Pro Ser Pro Gly Leu Glu Asp Pro Leu	415	420	425	1344	
45	ttg gat gca ggg acc aca gtc ctg tcc tgt ggc tgt gtc tca gct ggc Leu Asp Ala Gly Thr Thr Val Leu Ser Cys Gly Cys Val Ser Ala Gly	430	435	440	1392	
50	agc cct ggg cta gga ggg ccc ctg gga agc ctc ctg gac aga cta aag Ser Pro Gly Leu Gly Pro Leu Gly Ser Leu Leu Asp Arg Leu Lys	445	450	455	460	1440
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	Leu Leu Ala Glu Ser Ile Lys Pro Ala Pro Pro Phe Asn Val Thr Val	
	95 100 105	
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	Thr Phe Ser Gly Gln Tyr Asn Xaa Ser Trp Arg Ser Asp Tyr Glu Asp	
	110 115 120	
10	cct gcc ttc tac atg ctg aaa ggc aag ctt caa tat gag ctg cag tac	480
	Pro Ala Phe Tyr Met Leu Lys Gly Lys Leu Gln Tyr Glu Leu Gln Tyr	
	125 130 135 140	
15	agg aac cgg gga gac ccc tgg gct gtg agt ccg agg aga aag ctg atc	528
	Arg Asn Arg Gly Asp Pro Trp Ala Val Ser Pro Arg Arg Lys Leu Ile	
	145 150 155	
20	tca gtg gac tca aga agt gtc tcc ctc ccc ctg gag ttc cgc aaa	576
	Ser Val Asp Ser Arg Ser Val Ser Leu Leu Pro Leu Glu Phe Arg Lys	
	160 165 170	
25	gac tcg agc tat gag ctg can gtg cgg gca ggg ccc atg cct ggc tcc	624
	Asp Ser Ser Tyr Glu Leu Xaa Val Arg Ala Gly Pro Met Pro Gly Ser	
	175 180 185	
30	tcc tac cag ggg acc tgg agt gaa tgg agt gac ccg gtc atc tgt cag	672
	Ser Tyr Gln Gly Thr Trp Ser Glu Trp Ser Asp Pro Val Ile Cys Gln	
	190 195 200	
35	acc cag tca gag gag tta aag gaa ggc tgg aac cct cac ctg ctg ctt	720
	Thr Gln Ser Glu Glu Leu Lys Glu Gly Trp Asn Pro His Leu Leu	
	205 210 215 220	
	ctc ctc ctg ctt gtc ata gtc ttc att cct gcc ttc tgg agc ctg aag	768
	Leu Leu Leu Leu Val Ile Val Phe Ile Pro Ala Phe Trp Ser Leu Lys	
	225 230 235	
40	acc cat cca ttg tgg agg cta tgg aag aag ata tgg gcc gtc ccc agc	816
	Thr His Pro Leu Trp Arg Leu Trp Lys Lys Ile Trp Ala Val Pro Ser	
	240 245 250	
45	cct gag cgg ttc ttc atg ccc ctg tac aag ggc tgc agc gga gac ttc	864
	Pro Glu Arg Phe Phe Met Pro Leu Tyr Lys Gly Cys Ser Gly Asp Phe	
	255 260 265	
50	aag aaa tgg gtg ggt gca ccc ttc act ggc tcc agc ctg gag ctg gga	912
	Lys Lys Trp Val Gly Ala Pro Phe Thr Gly Ser Ser Leu Glu Leu Gly	
	270 275 280	
55	ccc tgg agc cca gag gtg ccc tcc acc ctg gag gtg tac agc tgc cac	960
	Pro Trp Ser Pro Glu Val Pro Ser Thr Leu Glu Val Tyr Ser Cys His	
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	Pro Pro Arg Ser Pro Ala Lys Arg Leu Gln Leu Thr Glu Leu Gln Glu	
	305 310 315	

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5	ccg aca gcc cag aac tcg ggg ggc tca gct tac agt gag gag agg gat	1104
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10	cgg cca tac ggc ctg gtg tcc att gac aca gtg act gtg cta gat gca	1152
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25	gct ggc agc cct ggg cta gga ggg ccc ctg gga agc ctc ctg gac aga	1344
	Ala Gly Ser Pro Gly Leu Gly Gly Pro Leu Gly Ser Leu Leu Asp Arg	
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30	cta aag cca ccc ctt gca gat ggg gag gac tgg gct ggg gga ctg ccc	1392
	Leu Lys Pro Pro Leu Ala Asp Gly Glu Asp Trp Ala Gly Gly Leu Pro	
	430 435 440	
35	tgg ggt ggc cgg tca cct gga ggg gtc tca gag agt gag gcg ggc tca	1440
	Trp Gly Gly Arg Ser Pro Gly Gly Val Ser Glu Ser Glu Ala Gly Ser	
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40	ccc ctg gcc ggc ctg gat atg gac acg ttt gac agt ggc ttt gtg ggc	1488
	Pro Leu Ala Gly Leu Asp Met Asp Thr Phe Asp Ser Gly Phe Val Gly	
	465 470 475	
	tct gac tgc agc agc cct gtg gag tgt gac ttc acc agc ccc ggg gac	1536
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45	gaa gga ccc ccc cgg agc tac ctc cgc cag tgg gtg gtc att cct ccg	1584
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Polypeptide sequence comparison of DCRS3.2 and DCRS3.1:

5	DCRS3.2	1	MPRGWAAPLLLLLQQG-----	GWGCPDLV	24
	DCRS3.1	1	MPRGWAAPLLLLLQQGALEGMERKLCSPKPPPTKASLPTDPPGWGCPDLV	*****	50
			*****	*****	
10	DCRS3.2	25	CYTDYLQTVICILEMWNLHPSTLTLTW-----	QDQYE	56
	DCRS3.1	51	CYTDYLQTVICILEMWNLHPSTLTLTWILSNNTGCYIKDRTLDLRQDQYE	100	
			*****	*****	
15	DCRS3.2	57	ELKDEATSCSLHRSAHNATHATYTCHMDVHFMAADDIFSVNITDQSGNYS	106	
	DCRS3.1	101	ELKDEATSCSLHRSAHNATHATYTCHMDVHFMAADDIFSVNITDQSGNYS	150	
			*****	*****	
20	DCRS3.2	107	QXCGSFLLAESIKPAPPFNVTVTFSQGQNXSWRSRDYEDPAFYMLKGKLQY	156	
	DCRS3.1	151	QECSGSFLLAE-----SRQYNISWRSRDYEDPAFYMLKGKLQY	186	
			*****	*****	
25	DCRS3.2	157	ELQYRNRGDPWAVSPRRKLISVDSRSVSLLPLEFRKDSSYELXVRAGPMP	206	
	DCRS3.1	187	ELQYRNRGDPWAVSPRRKLISVDSRSVSLLPLEFRKDSSYELQVRAGPMP	236	
			*****	*****	
30	DCRS3.2	207	GSSYQGTWSESDPVICQTQSEELKEGWNPHLLLLLIVFIPAFWSLK	256	
	DCRS3.1	237	GSSYQGTWSESDPVIFQTQSEELKEGWNPHLLLLLIVFIPAFWSLK	286	
			*****	*****	
35	DCRS3.2	257	THPLWRLWKKIWAVPSPERFFMPLYKGCSGDFKKWVGAPFTGSSLELGPW	306	
	DCRS3.1	287	THPLWRLWKKIWAVPSPERFFMPLYKGCSGDFKKWVGAPFTGSSLELGPW	336	
			*****	*****	
40	DCRS3.2	307	SPEVPSTLEVYSCHPPRSPAKRLQLTELQEPAELVESDGVPKPSFWPTAQ	356	
	DCRS3.1	337	SPEVPSTLEVYSCHPPRSPAKRLQLTELQEPAELVESDGVPKPSFWPTAQ	386	
			*****	*****	
45	DCRS3.2	357	NSGGSAYSEERDRPYGLSIDTVTVLDAEGPCTWPCSCEDDGYPALDLDA	406	
	DCRS3.1	387	NSGGSAYSEERDRPYGLSIDTVTVLDAEGPCTWPCSCEDDGYPALDLDA	436	
			*****	*****	
50	DCRS3.2	407	GLEPSPGLEDPPLLDAGTTVLCGCVSAGSPGLGGPLGSLLDRLKPLADG	456	
	DCRS3.1	437	GLEPSPGLEDPPLLDAGTTVLCGCVSAGSPGLGGPLGSLLDRLKPLADG	486	
			*****	*****	
55	DCRS3.2	457	EDWAGGLPWGGRSPGGVSESEAGSPLAGLMDTDFSGFVGSDCSSPVECD	506	
	DCRS3.1	487	EDWAGGLPWGGRSPGGVSESEAGSPLAGLMDTDFSGFVGSDCSSPVECD	536	
			*****	*****	
60	DCRS3.2	507	FTSPGDEGPPRSYLRQWVVIPPLSSPGPQAS	538	
	DCRS3.1	537	FTSPGDEGPPRSYLRQWVVIPPLSSPGPQAS	568	
			*****	*****	

Table 2: Reverse Translation of primate, e.g., human, DCRS3.1 (SEQ ID NO: 55 3). N may be A, C, G, or T.

ATGCCNMGGNTGGCNGCNCNYTNYTNTNYTNTNCARGGNCYTNGARGGNATGGARMGNARYTN
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GAYTN
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Reverse Translation of primate, e.g., human, DCRS3.2 (SEQ ID NO: 26). N may be A, C, G, or T.

25 ATGCCNMGGNTGGGCGCNCNYTNYTNYTNYTNCARGGNGNTGGGNTGYCCNGAYYTNTGTYA
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Nucleic acid sequence comparison of two DCRS3 embodiments:

50	DCRS3.2	1	ATGCCCGTGGCTGGCCGCCCCCTGCTCTGCTGCTGCTGCTCCAGGGAGC	50
	DCRS3.1	1	ATGCCCGTGGCTGGCCGCCCCCTGCTCTGCTGCTGCTGCTCCAGGGA--	49

	DCRS3.2	51	CCTCGAGGGGATGGAGAGGAAGCTCTGCAGTCCAAAGCCACCCCCCACCA	100
	DCRS3.1	49	-----	49

DCRS3.2	101	AGGCCTCTCTCCCCACTGACCCCTCCAGGCTGGGGCTGCCCCGACCTCGTC	150
DCRS3.1	50	-----GCTGGGGCTGCCCCGACCTCGTC	72
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5			
DCRS3.2	151	TGCTACACCGATTACCTCCAGACGGTCATCTGCATCCTGGAAATGTGGAA	200
DCRS3.1	73	TGCTACACCGATTACCTCCAGACGGTCATCTGCATCCTGGAAATGTGGAA	122
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	201	CCTCCACCCAGCACGCTCACCTTACCTGGATACTTCTAATAATACTG	250
DCRS3.1	123	CCTCCACCCAGCACGCTCACCTTACCTGG-----	153
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	251	GGTGCTATATCAAGGACAGAACACTGGACCTCAGGCAAGACCAAGTATGAA	300
DCRS3.1	154	-----CAAGACCAAGTATGAA	168
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	301	GAGCTGAAGGACGAGGCCACCTCCTGCAGCCTCACAGGTGGGCCACAA	350
DCRS3.1	169	GAGCTGAAGGACGAGGCCACCTCCTGCAGCCTCACAGGTGGGCCACAA	218
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	351	TGCCACCGCATGCCACCTACACCTGCCACATGGATGTATTCCACTTCATGG	400
DCRS3.1	219	TGCCACCGCATGCCACCTACACCTGCCACATGGATGTATTCCACTTCATGG	268
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DCRS3.2	401	CCGACGACATTTCAGTGTCAACATCACAGACCAGTCTGGCAACTACTCC	450
DCRS3.1	269	CCGACGACATTTCAGTGTCAACATCACAGACCAGTCTGGCAACTACTCC	318
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	451	CAGGAGTGTGGCAGCTTCTCCTGGCTGAGAGCA-----	484
DCRS3.1	319	CAGGANTGTGGCAGCTTCTCCTGGCTGAGAGCATCAAGCCGGCTCCCC	368
		*****	*****
40			
DCRS3.2	485	-----GACAGTATAATATCTCCTGGCGCT	508
DCRS3.1	369	TTTCAACGTGACTGTGACCTCTCAGGACAGTATAATNTCTGGCGCT	418
		*****	*****
45			
DCRS3.2	509	CAGATTACGAAGACCCCTGCCTTCTACATGCTGAAGGGCAAGCTTCAGTAT	558
DCRS3.1	419	CAGATTACGAAGACCCCTGCCTTCTACATGCTGAAGGGCAAGCTTCAGTAT	468
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DCRS3.2	559	GAGCTGCAGTACAGGAACCGGGAGACCCCTGGCTGTGAGTCCGAGGAG	608
DCRS3.1	469	GAGCTGCAGTACAGGAACCGGGAGACCCCTGGCTGTGAGTCCGAGGAG	518
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DCRS3.1	519	AAAGCTGATCTCAGTGGACTCAAGAAGTGTCTCCCTCCCTCCCTGGAGT	568
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DCRS3.2	659	TCCGCAAAGACTCGAGCTATGAGCTGCAGGTGCAGGGCAGGGCCATGCCT	708
DCRS3.1	569	TCCGCAAAGACTCGAGCTATGAGCTGCAGNTGCAGGGCAGGGCCATGCCT	618
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DCRS3.2	709	GGCTCCTCTACCAGGGGACCTGGAGTGAATGGAGTGACCCGGTCATCTT	758
DCRS3.1	619	GGCTCCTCTACCAGGGGACCTGGAGTGAATGGAGTGACCCGGTCATCTG	668
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DCRS3.2	759	TCAGACCCAGTCAGAGGAGTTAAAGGAAGGCTGGAACCCCTCACCTGCTGC	808
DCRS3.1	669	TCAGACCCAGTCAGAGGAGTTAAAGGAAGGCTGGAACCCCTCACCTGCTGC	718
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5			
DCRS3.2	809	TTCTCCTCCTGCTTGTCAAGTCTTCATTCCCTGCCCTCTGGAGCCTGAAG	858
DCRS3.1	719	TTCTCCTCCTGCTTGTCAAGTCTTCATTCCCTGCCCTCTGGAGCCTGAAG	768
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	859	ACCCATCCATTGTGGAGGCTATGGAAGAAGATATGGGCCGTCCCCAGCCC	908
DCRS3.1	769	ACCCATCCATTGTGGAGGCTATGGAAGAAGATATGGGCCGTCCCCAGCCC	818
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DCRS3.2	909	TGAGCGGTTCTTCATGCCCTGTACAAGGGCTGCAGCGGAGACTTCAAGA	958
DCRS3.1	819	TGAGCGGTTCTTCATGCCCTGTACAAGGGCTGCAGCGGAGACTTCAAGA	868
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DCRS3.2	959	AATGGGTGGGTGCACCCCTCACTGGCTCCAGCCTGGAGCTGGACCCCTGG	1008
DCRS3.1	869	AATGGGTGGGTGCACCCCTCACTGGCTCCAGCCTGGAGCTGGACCCCTGG	918
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DCRS3.1	919	AGCCCAGAGGTGCCCTCCACCCCTGGAGGTGTACAGCTGCCACCCACAG	968
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DCRS3.2	1059	GAGCCCGGCCAAGAGGCTGCAGCTCACGGAGCTACAAGAACCAAGCAGAGC	1108
DCRS3.1	969	GAGCCCGGCCAAGAGGCTGCAGCTCACGGAGCTACAAGAACCAAGCAGAGC	1018
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35			
DCRS3.2	1109	TGGTGGAGTCTGACGGTGTGCCCAAGCCCAGCTCTGGCCGACAGCCCAG	1158
DCRS3.1	1019	TGGTGGAGTCTGACGGTGTGCCCAAGCCCAGCTCTGGCCGACAGCCCAG	1068
		*****	*****
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DCRS3.2	1159	AACTCGGGGGCTCAGCTACAGTGAGGAGAGGGATCGGCCATACGGCCT	1208
DCRS3.1	1069	AACTCGGGGGCTCAGCTACAGTGAGGAGAGGGATCGGCCATACGGCCT	1118
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DCRS3.2	1209	GGTGTCCATTGACACAGTGACTGTCTAGATGCAGAGGGCCATGCACCT	1258
DCRS3.1	1119	GGTGTCCATTGACACAGTGACTGTCTAGATGCAGAGGGCCATGCACCT	1168
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DCRS3.2	1259	GGCCCTGCAGCTGTGAGGATGACGGCTACCCAGCCCTGGACCTGGATGCT	1308
DCRS3.1	1169	GGCCCTGCAGCTGTGAGGATGACGGCTACCCAGCCCTGGACCTGGATGCT	1218
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DCRS3.2	1309	GGCCCTGGAGCCCAGCCCAGGGCTAGAGGACCCACTCTGGATGCAGGGAC	1358
DCRS3.1	1219	GGCCCTGGAGCCCAGCCCAGGGCTAGAGGACCCACTCTGGATGCAGGGAC	1268
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DCRS3.2	1359	CACAGTCCTGTCTGTGGCTGTCTCAGCTGGCAGCCCTGGCTAGGGAG	1408
DCRS3.1	1269	CACAGTCCTGTCTGTGGCTGTCTCAGCTGGCAGCCCTGGCTAGGGAG	1318
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DCRS3.2	1409	GGCCCTGGGAAGCCTCTGGACAGACTAAAGCCACCCCTGCAGATGGG	1458
DCRS3.1	1319	GGCCCTGGGAAGCCTCTGGACAGACTAAAGCCACCCCTGCAGATGGG	1368
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DCRS3.2	1459	GAGGACTGGCTGGGGACTGCCCTGGGTGGCCGGTCACCTGGAGGGT	1508
DCRS3.1	1369	GAGGACTGGCTGGGGACTGCCCTGGGTGGCCGGTCACCTGGAGGGT	1418

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DCRS3.2	1509	CTCAGAGAGTGAGGCGGGCTCACCCCTGGCCGGCCTGGATATGGACACGT	1558
DCRS3.1	1419	CTCAGAGAGTGAGGCGGGCTCACCCCTGGCCGGCCTGGATATGGACACGT	1468

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DCRS3.2	1559	TTGACAGTGGCTTGAGGCTCTGACTGCAGCAGCCCTGTGGAGTGTGAC	1608
DCRS3.1	1469	TTGACAGTGGCTTGAGGCTCTGACTGCAGCAGCCCTGTGGAGTGTGAC	1518

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DCRS3.2	1609	TTCACCAGCCCCGGGACGAAGGACCCCCCGGAGCTACCTCCGCCAGTG	1658
DCRS3.1	1519	TTCACCAGCCCCGGGACGAAGGACCCCCCGGAGCTACCTCCGCCAGTG	1568

20			
DCRS3.2	1659	GGTGGTCATTCCCTCCGCCACTTCGAGCCCTGGACCCCAGGCCAGCTAA	1707
DCRS3.1	1569	GGTGGTCATTCCCTCCGCCACTTCGAGCCCTGGACCCCAGGCCAGCTAA	1617

Table 3: Nucleotide and polypeptide sequences of DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunit like embodiment 4 (DCRS4.1; cytor). Primate, e.g., human embodiment (see SEQ ID NO: 4 and 5). Predicted signal sequence indicated, but may vary by a few positions and depending upon cell type.

atg atg cct aaa cat tgc ttt cta ggc ttc ctc atc agt ttc ttc ctt	48			
Met Met Pro Lys His Cys Phe Leu Gly Phe Leu Ile Ser Phe Phe Leu				
-20	-15	-10		
30				
act ggt gta gca gga act cag tca acg cat gag tct ctg aag cct cag	96			
Thr Gly Val Ala Gly Thr Gln Ser Thr His Glu Ser Leu Lys Pro Gln				
-5	-1	1	5	10
35				
agg gta caa ttt cag tcc cga aat ttt cac aac att ttg caa tgg cag	144			
Arg Val Gln Phe Gln Ser Arg Asn Phe His Asn Ile Leu Gln Trp Gln				
15	20	25		
40				
cct ggg agg gca ctt act ggc aac agc agt gtc tat ttt gtg cag tac	192			
Pro Gly Arg Ala Leu Thr Gly Asn Ser Ser Val Tyr Phe Val Gln Tyr				
30	35	40		
45				
aaa ata tat gga cag aga caa tgg aaa aat aaa gaa gac tgt tgg ggt	240			
Lys Ile Tyr Gly Gln Arg Gln Trp Lys Asn Lys Glu Asp Cys Trp Gly				
45	50	55		
50				
act caa gaa ctc tct tgt gac ctt acc agt gaa acc tca gac ata cag	288			
Thr Gln Glu Leu Ser Cys Asp Leu Thr Ser Glu Thr Ser Asp Ile Gln				
60	65	70	75	
55				
gaa cct tat tac ggg agg ggc aaa aat aaa aat aaa ggg aat cct	336			
Glu Pro Tyr Tyr Gly Arg Arg Gly Lys Asn Lys Gly Asn Pro				
80	85	90		
55				
tgg ggg cca aaa caa agt aaa cgg aaa tca aag ggg aac cag aag acc	384			
Trp Gly Pro Lys Gln Ser Lys Arg Lys Ser Lys Gly Asn Gln Lys Thr				
95	100	105		

aac aca gtg act gcc cca gct gcc ctg aag gca ttt gct gga tgt gca 432
 Asn Thr Val Thr Ala Pro Ala Ala Leu Lys Ala Phe Ala Gly Cys Ala
 110 115 120

5 aaa ata gat cct cca gtc atg aat ata acc caa gtc aat ggc tct ttg 480
 Lys Ile Asp Pro Pro Val Met Asn Ile Thr Gln Val Asn Gly Ser Leu
 125 130 135

10 ttg gta att ctc cat gct cca aat tta cca tat aga tac caa aag gaa 528
 Leu Val Ile Leu His Ala Pro Asn Leu Pro Tyr Arg Tyr Gln Lys Glu
 140 145 150 155

15* aaa aat gta tct ata gaa gat tac tat gaa cta cta tac cga gtt ttt 576
 Lys Asn Val Ser Ile Glu Asp Tyr Tyr Glu Leu Leu Tyr Arg Val Phe
 160 165 170

20 ata att aac aat tca cta gaa aag gag caa aag gtt tat gaa ggg gct 624
 Ile Ile Asn Asn Ser Leu Glu Lys Glu Gln Lys Val Tyr Glu Gly Ala
 175 180 185

25 cac aga gcg gtt gaa att gaa gct cta aca cca cac tcc agc tac tgt 672
 His Arg Ala Val Glu Ile Glu Ala Leu Thr Pro His Ser Ser Tyr Cys
 190 195 200

30 gta gtg gct gaa ata tat cag ccc atg tta gac aga aga agt cag aga 720
 Val Val Ala Glu Ile Tyr Gln Pro Met Leu Asp Arg Arg Ser Gln Arg
 205 210 215

35 agt gaa gag aga tgt gtg gaa att cca tga 750
 Ser Glu Glu Arg Cys Val Glu Ile Pro
 220 225

40 MMPKHCFLGFLISFFLTGVAGTQSTHESLKPQRVQFQSRNFHNILQWQPGRALTGNSSVYFVQYKIYGQRQWKNKED
 CWGTQELSCDLTSETSDIQEPYYGRRGKNKNKGNPWGPQSKRSKGNQKTNTVTAPAAALKAFAGCAKIDPPVMNIT
 QVNGSLLVILHAPNLPYRYQKEKNVSIEDYYELLYRVFIIINNSLEKEQKVYEGAHRAVEIEALTPHSSYCVVAEIQYQ
 PMLDRRSQRSEERCVEIP.

45 Nucleotide and polypeptide sequences of DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunit like
 40 embodiments (DCRS4.2, cytorX700; SEQ ID NO: 27 and 28):

45 ATGATGCCAACATTGCTTCTAGGCTTCCTCATCAGTTCTTCCTTACTGGTGTAGCAGGAACTCAGTCACGCA
 TGAGTCTCTGAAGCCTCAGAGGGTACAATTCAGTCCCAGAAATTTCAACACATTGCAATGGCAGCCCCGGGAGGG
 CACTTACTGGCACACAGCAGTGTCTATTTGTGCAGTACAAAATATGGACAGAGACAATGGAAAATAAGAAGAC
 50 TGTTGGGTACTCAAGAACCTCTTGTGACCTTACCAAGTGAAACCTCAGACATAACAGGAACCTTATTACGGGAGGGT
 GAGGGCGGCCTCGGCTGGAGCTACTCAGAATGGAGCATGACGCCGCGGTTACTCCCTGGTGGAAACAAAATAG
 ATCCTCCAGTCATGAATATAACCCAAGTCATGGCTCTTGTGTAATTCTCCATGCTCAAATTACCATATAGA
 TACCAAAAGGAAAAAAATGTATCTATAGAAGATTACTATGAACACTATACCGAGTTTTATAATTACAATTCACT
 AGAAAAGGAGCAAAGGTTATGAAGGGCTCACAGAGCGGTTGAAATTGAAGCTTAACACCACACTCCAGCTACT
 55 GTGTAGTGGCTGAAATATATCAGCCCAGTGTAGACAGAAGAAGTCAGAGAAGTGAAGAGAGATGTGTGAAATTCCA
 TGA

55 atg atg cct aaa cat tgc ttt cta ggc ttc ctc atc agt ttc ttc ctt 48
 Met Met Pro Lys His Cys Phe Leu Gly Phe Leu Ile Ser Phe Phe Leu
 -20 -15 -10

60 act ggt gta gca gga act cag tca acg cat gag tct ctg aag cct cag 96
 Thr Gly Val Ala Gly Thr Gln Ser Thr His Glu Ser Leu Lys Pro Gln
 -5 -1 1 5 10

agg gta caa ttt cag tcc cga aat ttt cac aac att ttg caa tgg cag 144
Arg Val Gln Phe Gln Ser Arg Asn Phe His Asn Ile Leu Gln Trp Gln
15 20 25

5 ccc ggg agg gca ctt act ggc aac agc agt gtc tat ttt gtg cag tac 192
Pro Gly Arg Ala Leu Thr Gly Asn Ser Ser Val Tyr Phe Val Gln Tyr
30 35 40

10 aaa ata tat gga cag aga caa tgg aaa aat aaa gaa gac tgt tgg ggt 240
Lys Ile Tyr Gly Gln Arg Gln Trp Lys Asn Lys Glu Asp Cys Trp Gly
45 50 55

15* act caa gaa ctc tct tgt gac ctt acc agt gaa acc tca gac ata cag 288
Thr Gln Glu Leu Ser Cys Asp Leu Thr Ser Glu Thr Ser Asp Ile Gln
60 65 70 75

20 gaa cct tat tac ggg agg gtg agg gcg gcc tcg gct ggg agc tac tca 336
Glu Pro Tyr Tyr Gly Arg Val Arg Ala Ala Ser Ala Gly Ser Tyr Ser
80 85 90

25 gaa tgg agc atg acg ccg cgg ttc act ccc tgg tgg gaa aca aaa ata 384
Glu Trp Ser Met Thr Pro Arg Phe Thr Pro Trp Trp Glu Thr Lys Ile
95 100 105

30 att ctc cat gct cca aat tta cca tat aga tac caa aag gaa aaa aat 480
Ile Leu His Ala Pro Asn Leu Pro Tyr Arg Tyr Gln Lys Glu Lys Asn
125 130 135

35 gta tct ata gaa gat tac tat gaa cta cta tac cga gtt ttt ata att 528
Val Ser Ile Glu Asp Tyr Tyr Glu Leu Leu Tyr Arg Val Phe Ile Ile
140 145 150 155

40 aac aat tca cta gaa aag gag caa aag gtt tat gaa ggg gct cac aga 576
Asn Asn Ser Leu Glu Lys Glu Gln Lys Val Tyr Glu Gly Ala His Arg
160 165 170

45 gcg gtt gaa att gaa gct cta aca cca cac tcc agc tac tgt gta gtg 624
Ala Val Glu Ile Glu Ala Leu Thr Pro His Ser Ser Tyr Cys Val Val
175 180 185

50 gct gaa ata tat cag ccc atg tta gac aga aga agt cag aga agt gaa 672
Ala Glu Ile Tyr Gln Pro Met Leu Asp Arg Arg Ser Gln Arg Ser Glu
190 195 200

55 gag aga tgt gtg gaa att cca tga 696
Glu Arg Cys Val Glu Ile Pro
205 210

>cytorX700
55 MMPKHCFLGLFLISFFLTGVAGTQSTHESLKPQRVQFQSRNFHNILQWQPGRAUTGNSSVYFVQYKIYGQRQWKNKED
CWGTQELSCDLTSETSDIQEPYYGRVRAASAGSYSEWSMTPRFTPWWETKIDPPVMNITQVNGSLLVILHAPNLPYR
YQKEKNNVSIEDYYELLYRVIINNSLEKEQKVYEGAHRAVEIEALTPHSSYCVVAEIYQPMULDRRSQRSEERCVEIP

Nucleotide and polypeptide sequences of DNAX Cytokine Receptor Subunit like embodiments (DCRS4.3 cytorX600; SEQ ID NO: 30 and 31):

5	ATGATGCCTAACACATTGCTTCTAGGCTTCCCTCATCAGTTTTCTTACTGGTGTAGCAGGAACTCAGTCACGCA TGAGTCTCTGAAGCCTCAGAGGGTACAATTCAGTCCCAGAACATTTCACAACATTGCAATGGCAGCCTGGGAGGG CACTTACTGGCAACAGCAGTGTCTATTGTGCACTACAAAATATGGACAGAGACAATGGAAAATAAGAAGAC TGTGAGGGTACTCAAGAACTCTCTTGACCTTACAGTGAACCTCAGACATACAGGAATCTTATTACGGGAGGGT GAGGGCGGCCTCGGCTGGAGCTACTCAGAATGGAGCATGACGCCGCGTTCACTCCCTGGTGGAAAGAGCAAAAG GTTTATGAAGGGGCTCACAGAGCGGTTGAAATTGAAGCTCTAACACCAACTCCAGCTACTGTGTAGTGGCTGAAAT	
10	10 ATATCAGCCCACGTTAGACAGAAGTCAGAGAAGTGAAGAGAGATGTGTGAAATTCCATGA	
	atg atg cct aaa cat tgc ttt cta ggc ttc ctc atc agt ttt ttc ctt 48 Met Met Pro Lys His Cys Phe Leu Gly Phe Leu Ile Ser Phe Phe Leu -20 -15 -10	
15	15 act ggt gta gca gga act cag tca acg cat gag tct ctg aag cct cag 96 Thr Gly Val Ala Gly Thr Gln Ser Thr His Glu Ser Leu Lys Pro Gln -5 -1 1 5 10	
20	20 agg gta caa ttt cag tcc cga aat ttt cac aac att ttg caa tgg cag 144 Arg Val Gln Phe Gln Ser Arg Asn Phe His Asn Ile Leu Gln Trp Gln 15 20 25	
25	25 cct ggg agg gca ctt act ggc aac agc agt gtc tat ttt gtg cag tac 192 Pro Gly Arg Ala Leu Thr Gly Asn Ser Ser Val Tyr Phe Val Gln Tyr 30 35 40	
30	30 aaa ata tat gga cag aga caa tgg aaa aat aaa gaa gac tgt tgg ggt 240 Lys Ile Tyr Gly Gln Arg Gln Trp Lys Asn Lys Glu Asp Cys Trp Gly 45 50 55	
35	35 act caa gaa ctc tct tgt gac ctt acc agt gaa acc tca gac ata cag 288 Thr Gln Glu Leu Ser Cys Asp Leu Thr Ser Glu Thr Ser Asp Ile Gln 60 65 70 75	
40	40 gaa tct tat tac ggg agg gtg agg gcg gcc tcg gct ggg agc tac tca 336 Glu Ser Tyr Tyr Gly Arg Val Ala Ala Ser Ala Gly Ser Tyr Ser 80 85 90	
45	45 ggt tta tgaagggct cacagagcgg ttgaaattga agctctaaca ccacactcca 440 Gly Leu	
	gctactgtgt agtggctgaa atatatcagc ccacgttaga cagaagaagt cagagaagtg 500	
50	aagagagatg tgtggaaatt ccatga 526	
55	>cytorX600 MMPKHCFLGFLISFFLTGVAGTQSTHESLKPQRVQFQSRNFHNILQWQPGRALTGNSSVYFVQYKIYGQRQWNKED CWGTQELSCDLTSETSDIQESYYGRVRAASAGSYSEWSMTPRFTPWWERAKGL. 55 Polypeptide sequence comparison of DCRS4.1, DCRS4.2 and DCRS4.3:	

DCRS4.1	1	MMPKHCFLGFLISFFLTGVAGTQSTHESLKQPRVQFQSRNFHNILQWQPG	50
DCRS4.2	1	MMPKHCFLGFLISFFLTGVAGTQSTHESLKQPRVQFQSRNFHNILQWQPG	50
DCRS4.3	1	MMPKHCFLGFLISFFLTGVAGTQSTHESLKQPRVQFQSRNFHNILQWQPG	50
5	*****		
DCRS4.1	51	RALTGNSSVYFVQYKIYGQRQWKNKEDCWGTQELSCDLTSETSDIQEPYY	100
DCRS4.2	51	RALTGNSSVYFVQYKIYGQRQWKNKEDCWGTQELSCDLTSETSDIQEPYY	100
DCRS4.3	51	RALTGNSSVYFVQYKIYGQRQWKNKEDCWGTQELSCDLTSETSDIQESYY	100
10	*****		
DCRS4.1	101	GR-RGKNKNKGNPWGPQSKRKSKGNNQKTNTVTAPAALKAFAGCAKIDPP	149
DCRS4.2	101	GRVRAASAGSYSEWS--MTPRFTP-----WWETKIDPP	131
DCRS4.3	101	GRVRAASAGSYSEWS--MTPRFTP-----WWE-----119	
15	*** * . * . *		
DCRS4.1	150	VMNITQVNNGSLLVILHAPNLPYRYQKEKNVSIEDYYELLYRVFIINNSLE	199
DCRS4.2	132	VMNITQVNNGSLLVILHAPNLPYRYQKEKNVSIEDYYELLYRVFIINNSLE	181
DCRS4.3	123	-----RAKGL	130
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DCRS4.1	200	KEQKVYEGAHRAVEIEALTPHSSYCVVAEIYQPMQLDRRSQRSEERCVEIP	249
DCRS4.2	182	KEQKVYEGAHRAVEIEALTPHSSYCVVAEIYQPMQLDRRSQRSEERCVEIP	231
DCRS4.3	131		130
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Table 4: Reverse Translation of primate, e.g., human, DCRS4.1 (SEQ ID NO: 6). N may be A, C, G, or T.

30	ATGATGCCNAARCACTGYTTYYTNGGNTYYTNATHWSNTTYYTNACNGGNTNGCNGGNACNCARWSNACNCA YGARWSNYTNAARCCNCARMGNGTNCARTTYCARWSNMGNAAYTTYCAYAAYATHYTNARTGGCARCCNGGNMGNG CNYTNACNGGNAAYWSNWSNGTNTAYTTYGTNCARTAYAARATHTAYGGNCARMGNACARTGGAARAAYAARGARGAY TGYTGGGNACNCARGARYTNWSNTGYGAYYTNAACNWSNGARACCNWSNGAYATHCARGARCCNTAYTAYGGNMGNMG NGGNAARAAYAARAAYAARGGNAAYCCNTGGGGNCNAARCARWSNAARMGNAARWSNAARGGNAAYCARAARACNA
35	AYACNGTNACNGCCNCNGCNCNYTNAARGCNCNTTYGCNGGNTGYGCNAARATHGAYCCNCCNGTNATGAAYATHACN CARGTNAAAYGGNWSNYTNTNGTNATHYTNACYGCNCNAAYYTNCNTAYMGNNTAYCARAARGARAARAAYGTNWS NATHGARGAYTAYTAYGARYTNNTAYMGNNTNTYATHATHAAYAAYWSNYTNGARAARGCARCARAARGTNTAYG ARGGNGCNCAYMGNGCNGTNGARATHGARGCNYTNACNCNCAYWSNWSNTAYTGYGTNGCNGARATHTAYCAR CCNATGYTNGAYMGNMGWSNCARMGNWSNGARGARMGNTGYGTNGARATHCCN
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Reverse Translation of primate, e.g., human, DCRS4.2 (SEQ ID NO: 29). N may be A, C, G, or T.

45	ATGATGCCNAARCACTGYTTYYTNGGNTYYTNATHWSNTTYYTNACNGGNTNGCNGGNACNCARWSNACNCA YGARWSNYTNAARCCNCARMGNGTNCARTTYCARWSNMGNAAYTTYCAYAAYATHYTNARTGGCARCCNGGNMGNG CNYTNACNGGNAAYWSNWSNGTNTAYTTYGTNCARTAYAARATHTAYGGNCARMGNACARTGGAARAAYAARGARGAY TGYTGGGNACNCARGARYTNWSNTGYGAYYTNAACNWSNGARACCNWSNGAYATHCARGARCCNTAYTAYGGNMGNMG NMNGCNGCNWSNGCNGGNWSNTAYWSNGARTGGWSNATGACNCNCNGNTTYACNCNTGGTGGARACNAARATHG
50	AYCCNCCNGTNATGAAYATHACNCARGTNAAAYGGNWSNYTNTNGTNATHYTNACYGCNCNAAYYTNCNTAYMGN TAYCARAARGARAARAAYGTNWSNATHGARGAYTAYTAYGARYTNNTAYMGNNTNTYATHATHAAYAAYWSNYT NGARAARGCARCARAARGTNTAYGARGGNGCNCAYMGNGCNGTNGARATHGARGCNYTNACNCNCAYWSNWSNTAYT GYGTNGCNGARATHTAYCARCCNATGYTNGAYMGNMGWSNCARMGNWSNGARGARMGNTGYGTNGARATHCCN

55 Reverse Translation of primate, e.g., human, DCRS4.3 (SEQ ID NO: 32). N may be A, C, G, or T.

60	ATGATGCCNAARCACTGYTTYYTNGGNTYYTNATHWSNTTYYTNACNGGNTNGCNGGNACNCARWSNACNCA YGARWSNYTNAARCCNCARMGNGTNCARTTYCARWSNMGNAAYTTYCAYAAYATHYTNARTGGCARCCNGGNMGNG CNYTNACNGGNAAYWSNWSNGTNTAYTTYGTNCARTAYAARATHTAYGGNCARMGNACARTGGAARAAYAARGARGAY
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TGTYGGGNACNCARGARYTNWSNTGYGAYTNACNWSNGARACNWSNGAYATHCARGARWSNTAYTAYGGNMNGTNMNGNGCNGCNWSNGCNGNWSNTAYWSNGARTGGWSNATGACNCCNMGNTTYACNCCNTGGTGGGARMNGCNAARGGNYTN

5 Nucleic acid sequence comparison of three DCRS4 embodiments:

DCRS4 . 1	1	ATGATGCCTAACATTGCTTCTAGGCTCCTCATCAGTTCTTCCTTAC	50
DCRS4 . 2	1	ATGATGCCTAACATTGCTTCTAGGCTCCTCATCAGTTCTTCCTTAC	50
DCRS4 . 3	1	ATGATGCCTAACATTGCTTCTAGGCTCCTCATCAGTTTTTCCTTAC	50
10		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	51	TGGTAGCAGGAACCTCAGTCACCGATGAGTCTCTGAAGCCTCAGAGGG	100
DCRS4 . 2	51	TGGTAGCAGGAACCTCAGTCACCGATGAGTCTCTGAAGCCTCAGAGGG	100
DCRS4 . 3	51	TGGTAGCAGGAACCTCAGTCACCGATGAGTCTCTGAAGCCTCAGAGGG	100
15		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	101	TACAATTCAGTCCC GAAATTT CACAACATTTGCAATGGCAGCCTGGG	150
DCRS4 . 2	101	TACAATTCAGTCCC GAAATTT CACAACATTTGCAATGGCAGCCTGGG	150
DCRS4 . 3	101	TACAATTCAGTCCC GAAATTT CACAACATTTGCAATGGCAGCCTGGG	150
20		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	151	AGGGCACTTACTGGCAACAGCAGTGTCTATTGTGCAAGTACAAATATA	200
DCRS4 . 2	151	AGGGCACTTACTGGCAACAGCAGTGTCTATTGTGCAAGTACAAATATA	200
DCRS4 . 3	151	AGGGCACTTACTGGCAACAGCAGTGTCTATTGTGCAAGTACAAATATA	200
25		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	201	TGGACAGAGACAATGGAAAAATAAAGAAGACTGTTGGGTACTCAAGAAC	250
DCRS4 . 2	201	TGGACAGAGACAATGGAAAAATAAAGAAGACTGTTGGGTACTCAAGAAC	250
DCRS4 . 3	201	TGGACAGAGACAATGGAAAAATAAAGAAGACTGTTGGGTACTCAAGAAC	250
30		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	251	TCTCTTGTGACCTTACCACTGAAACCTCAGACATACAGGAACCTTATTAC	300
DCRS4 . 2	251	TCTCTTGTGACCTTACCACTGAAACCTCAGACATACAGGAACCTTATTAC	300
DCRS4 . 3	251	TCTCTTGTGACCTTACCACTGAAACCTCAGACATACAGGAATCTTATTAC	300
35		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	301	GGGAGGAGGGCAAAAATAAAAATAAAGGGATCCTTGGGGCCAAAACA	350
DCRS4 . 2	301	GGGAGGGT-----AGGGCGGCCTCGGC-----	323
DCRS4 . 3	301	GGGAGGGT-----AGGGCGGCCTCGGC-----	323
40		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	351	AAGTAAACGGAAATCAAAGGGGACCAGAACAGAACAGTGA C T G C C C	400
DCRS4 . 2	324	---TGGGAGCTACTCAGAAATGGAGCATGA-----CGCCGCGGTTCACT	363
DCRS4 . 3	324	---TGGGAGCTACTCAGAAATGGAGCATGA-----CGCCGCGGTTCACT	363
45		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	401	CAGCTGCCCTGAAGGCATTGCTGGATGTGCAAAAATAGATCCTCCAGTC	450
DCRS4 . 2	364	C-----CCTGGTGGGAA-----ACAAAAATAGATCCTCCAGTC	396
DCRS4 . 3	364	C-----CCTGGTGGGAAAGAGCAAAAGGTTATGAAGGGCTCACAGA-----	406
50		*****	*****
DCRS4 . 1	451	ATGAATATAACCCAAGTC--AATGGCTTTGTTGGTAATTCTCCATGCT	498
DCRS4 . 2	397	ATGAATATAACCCAAGTC--AATGGCTTTGTTGGTAATTCTCCATGCT	444
DCRS4 . 3	407	GCGGTTGAAATTGAAGCTCTAACACCCACACTCCAGCTACTGTGAGTGGC	456
55		*****	*****

Table 5: Alignment of various cytokine receptor subunits with DCRS3.1. IL-2R is SEQ ID NO: 7; IL-9R is SEQ ID NO: 8; GM/IL-3/5 receptor b subunit common (ILRbc) is SEQ ID NO: 9; TPOR is SEQ ID NO: 10; and IL-7R is SEQ ID NO: 11 (see GenBank).

	IL-2R_HU	VNG--TSQFTC--PYNSRANISCVWSQ-DGALQDTSCQVHAWPDRRRWN-----QTC
	DCRS3_HU	LCS--PKPPPT---KASLPTDPPGWGC-PDLVCYTDYLQTVICILEMWN--LHP--STL
	IL-9R_HU	ICI---C-TC---VCLGVSVTGEGQGPRSRTFTCLTNNILRIDCHWS--APELGQG
40	ILRbc_HU	ILTPNGEDTTADPFLTTMPDLSVST-LPLPEVQCFVNVEYMNCTWNSSSEQPPTNL
	TPOR_HU	LLASDSEPLKC---FSRTFEDLTCFWDE-EEAAPSGTYQLLYAYPREKPR--ACP--LSS
	IL-7R_HU	VSGESGYAQNG---DLEDAELDDYSFSC-YSQLEVNGSQHSLTCAFEDPD-----VN
		:
45	IL-2R_HU	ELLPVSQASWACN-----LILG-----APDS--QKLTVD-----IV
	DCRS3_HU	TLTWILSNNTGCYIKDR----TLDLRQ-DQYE--ELKDEA-TSCSLHR---SAHNAT
	IL-9R_HU	SSPWLLFTSNQAPG---G-THKCILR--GSECTVVLPP--AVLVPSD-----NFT
	ILRbc_HU	TLHYWYKNSDNDK----VQKCSHY----LFSEEITSGCQLQK-K--EIHLYQ
50	TPOR_HU	QSMPHFGTRYVCQFPDQ--EEVRLFFPLHLWVKNVFLNQTRQRVLFVDSVGLPAPPSII
	IL-7R_HU	TTNLEFEICGALV-----EVKCLNFR-----KLQEIYFIETKKFL-----LI
55	IL-2R_HU	TLRVLCREGVRWRV---MAIQDFKPFENLRLMAPISLQV---VHVETHRCNIS---WEI
	DCRS3_HU	HATYTCHMDVFHF---MADDIFS--VNITDQSGNYSQECGSFLLAESRQYNIS---WRS
	IL-9R_HU	ITFHHCMSGREQVS---LVDPEYLPRRHVKLDPPSDLQS----NISSGHCILT---WSI
	ILRbc_HU	TFVVLQLQDPREPRR---QATQMLKLQLNLVIPWAPENLTL---HKLSESQLELN---WNN
	TPOR_HU	KAMGGSQPQGELQISWEEPAEISDFLRYELRYGPRDPKNS--TGPTVIQLIATETCCPA
	IL-7R_HU	GKSNICVK-VGEKS---LTCKKIDLTIVKPEAPFDLSVI--YREGANDFVVT---FNT

	IL-2R_HU	SQASHYFERHLE---FEARTLSPGHTWEEAPLLTLK-----QKQEWCLETLT-PDTQ
	DCRS3_HU	DYEDPAFYMLKGKLQYELQYRNRGDPWAVERPRKLIS-----VDSRSVSLPLEFRKDSS
	IL-9R_HU	SPAЛЕPMTTLLS---YELAFKKQEEAWEQAQHRDHIV----G-VTWLILEAFELDPGFI
5	ILRbc_HU	RFLNHCLEHLV-----QYRTD---WDHSWTEQSV-----DYRHKFSLPSVDGQKRYT
	TPOR_HU	LQRPHSASALD----QSPCAQPTMPWQDGPKQTSPSREASALTAEGGSCLISGLQPGNS
	IL-7R_HU	SHLQKKYVKVLMHD-VAYRQEKENWKWTHVNLSST-----KLTLLQRK--LQPAAM
		*
10	IL-2R_HU	YEFQVRVKPLQGEFT-----TWSPWSQPLAFRTKPAALG
	DCRS3_HU	YELQVRAGPMPGSSYQG-----TWSEWSDPVIFQTQSEELK
	IL-9R_HU	HEARLRVQMATLEDDVVVEEERYTGQWSEWSQPVCFQAPQRQGP
	ILRbc_HU	FRVRSRFNPLCGSAQ-----HWSEWSHPIHWGSNTSKEN
	TPOR_HU	YWLQLRSEPDGISMGG-----SGWSWSLPVTVDLPGDAVA
15	IL-7R_HU	YEIKVRSIPDHYFKG-----FWSEWSPSYYFRTPEINNS
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Alignment of various cytokine receptor subunits with DCRS4.1. IL-10Rb is the beta subunit of IL-10R, human is SEQ ID NO: 12, mouse is SEQ ID NO: 13; INaR1 is the beta subunit of IFNa with human SEQ ID NO: 14 and mouse SEQ ID NO: 15; INgR is interferon gamma receptor subunit alpha with human SEQ ID NO: 16 and mouse SEQ ID NO: 17; IL-10Ra is the alpha receptor subunit with mouse SEQ ID NO: 18 and human SEQ ID NO: 19; INgS (SEQ ID NO: 20) is the beta receptor subunit for INFg; Zcytor7 (SEQ ID NO: 21) and CYTOR11 (SEQ ID NO: 22) are from patent filings from ZymoGenetics, and INaR2 (SEQ ID NO: 23) is the beta subunit of the receptor for IFNa.

	IL-10Rb_Hu	PENVRMNSVNFKNILQWES-PAFAKGNL--TFTAQYLSY-----RIFQDKCMNTTL	
30	IL-10Rb_Mu	PEKVRMNSVNFKNILQWEV-PAFPKTNL--TFTAQYESY-----RSFQDHCKRTAS	
	INaR1_HU	PQKVEVDIIDDNFILRWNR-SDESVGNV--TFSFDYQKTGMD---NWIKLSCQNITS	
	INaR1_MU	PENIDVYIIDDNYTLKWW-HGESMGSV--TFSAEYRTKDEA---KWLKVPECQHTTT	
	INgR_HU	PTNVTIESYNMNPIVYWEY-QIMPQVP--VFTVEVKNYGVK---NSEWIDACINISH	
	INgR_MU	PTNVLIKSQYLNPNPVWEY-QNMSQTP--IFTVQVKVY-----SGSWTDSCTNISD	
35	IL-10Ra_Mu	PSYVWFEEAFFQHILHWKP-IPNQSEST--YYEVALKQYQGNS---TWNDIHICRKAQA	
	IL-10Ra_Hu	PPSVWFEAEFFHHILHWTP-IPNQSEST--CYEVALLRYGIE---SWNSISNC--SQT	
	INgS_HU	PLNPRHLHYNDEQILTWEW-SPSSNDPRPVVYQVEYSFIDGSW---HRLLEPNCTDITE	
	Zcytor7_Hu	PANITFLSINMKNVLQWTPPEGLQGVKV--TYTVQYFIYQK---KWLNKSECRNINR	
	CYTOR11_HU	LQHVKFQSSNFENILTWDS-GPEGTPDT--VYSIEYKTYGER---DWVAKKGQRI	
40	INaR2_HU	SCTFKISLRNFRSILSWEL-KNHSIVPHTYTLTMSKPE---DLKVVKNCA	
	DCRS4.1_HU	DCRS4.1_HU	TRQQRQFQSRNFHNILQWQPGRA
		LTGNSS--VYFVQYKIYQQR---QWKNKEDCWGTQE	
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	IL-10Rb_Hu	TECDFSSLSK-----YGDHTLRVRAEFADEHSDWVNIT-FCPVDDTIIGPPG--MQVEV
45	IL-10Rb_Mu	TQCDFSHLSK-----YGDYTVRVRRAELADEHSEWVNVT-FCPVDETDIIGPPE--MQIES
	INaR1_HU	TKCNFSSLKLN---VYEEIKLIRRAEKEN-TSSWYEVDSFTPFRKAQIGPPE--VHLEA
	INaR1_MU	TKCEFSLLDTN---VYIKTQFRVRAEEGNSTSSWNEVDPFIPFYTAHMSPPE--VRLEA
	INgR_HU	HYCNISDHVGDP---SNSLWVRVKARVGQKESAYAKSEEFAVCRDGKIGPPKLDIR-KE
	INgR_MU	HCCNIYQIMYP---DVSARWARVAKVGQKESDYARSKEFLMCLKGKVGGPGLIEIRKK
50	IL-10Ra_Mu	LSCDLTTFTLDLYHR-SYGYRARVRAVDNSQYSNWTTETRFTVDEVILTVDS--VTLKA
	IL-10Ra_Hu	LSYDLTAVTLDLYH--SNGYRARVRAVDGSRHSNWTNTFRFSVDEVT
	INgS_HU	TKCDLTGGGRRLKLFPHFPTVFLRVRAKRGNLTSKWVGLEPFQHYENVTGPPKN-IVSVP
	Zcytor7_Hu	TYCDLSAETSDY---EHQYYAKVKAIGWTKCSKWAESGRFYPFLETOIGPPE--VALTT
	CYTOR11_HU	KSCNLTVETGN---LTELYYARVTAWSAGGRSATKMTDRFSSLQHTTLKPPDV-TCISK
55	INaR2_HU	SFCDLTDEWRS---THEAYVTVLEGFSGNTTLFSCSHNFWLAIDMSFEPPE--FEIVG
	DCRS4.1_HU	LSCDLTSETSD---IQEPIYYGRRGKNNKGNPWFQSKRKS
		GNQKTNTVT-APAAL
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	IL-10Rb_Hu	LADSLHMRFLAPKIENEYE---	TWTMKNVNSWTYNVQYWKNGTDEKFQ-ITPQYDFEVL
	IL-10Rb_Mu	LAESLHLRFSAPQIENEPE---	TWTLKNIYDSWAYRVQYWKNGTNEKFQ-VVSPYDSEVL
	INaR1_HU	EDKAIVIHISPGTKDSV---	MWALD--GLSFTYSLLIWKNSSGVEER-IENIYSRHKI
5	INaR1_MU	EDKAILVHISPPGQDGN---	MWALE--KPSFSYTIRIWQKSSSDKKT-INSTYYVEKI
	INgR_HU	EKQIMIDIFHPSVFVNGDEQEVYDYPETTCYIRVYNVYVRMNGS-EIQY-KILTQKEDDC	
	INgR_MU	EEQLSLVLFHPEVVVNGESQGTMFQDGSTCYTFDVTYVEHNRSGEILH-TKHTVEKEEC	
	IL-10Ra_Mu	MDGIIYGTIHPPRPTITPA--GDEYEQVFQDLRVYKISIRKFS--ELKN-ATKRVKQETF	
	IL-10Ra_Hu	HNGFILGKIQQLPQPKMAPA--NDTYEISFSHFRYEIAIRKPG-NFTF-THKKVKHENF	
10	INgS_HU	GKGSLVHFSPPFDVFHG-----ATFQYLVHYWEKSETQQEQ-VEGPFKSNSI	
	Zcytor7_Hu	DEKSISVVLTAPEWKCRNPEDLPVSMQQIYSNLKYNVSLNTKSNRTWS-QCVTNHTLVL	
	CYTOR11_HU	VRSIQMIVHPTPTPIRAGDG-HRLTLEDIFHDLFYHLELQVNRTYQMHL-GGKQREYEFF	
	INaR2_HU	FTNHINVMVKFPPSIVEEL-----Q--FDLSLVIEEQSEGIVKKHKPEIKGNMSGNF	
	DCRS4.1_HU	KAFAGCAKIDPPVMNITQ-----VNGSLLVILHAPNLPYRYQ-KEKNVSIEDY	
15			:
	IL-10Rb_Hu	RN-----LEPWTTYCVQVRGFLPDRN-----KAGEWSEPVCEQ	
	IL-10Rb_Mu	RN-----LEPWTTYCIQVQGFLLDQN-----RTGEWSEPICER	
	INaR1_HU	YK-----LSPETTYCLVKKAALLTSW-----KIGVYSPVHICK	
20	INaR1_MU	PE-----LLPETTYCLEVKAIHPSLK-----KHSNYSTVQCIS	
	INgR_HU	DEIQCQLAI-----PVSSLNSQYCVAEGVLHWG-----VTTEKSKEVCIT	
	INgR_MU	NETLCELNI-----SVSTLDSRYCISVDGISSFWQ-----VRTEKSKDVCIP	
	IL-10Ra_Mu	TLT-----VPIGVRKFCVKVLPRLESRI-----NKAEWSEEQCLL	
	IL-10Ra_Hu	SLL-----TSGEVGEFCVQVKPVSASRS-----NKGMWSKEECIS	
25	INgS_HU	VLG-----NLKPYRVYCLQTEAQLILKNNK-----IRPHGLLSNVSCH	
	Zcytor7_Hu	TW-----LEPNLTLYCVHVESFVPGPP-----RRAQPSEKQCAR	
	CYTOR11_HU	GLTPDTEFLGTIMICVPTWAKESAPYMCRVKTLPDRWTYTSFSGAFLFSMGFLVAVLCYL	
	INaR2_HU	TYIID-----KLIPNTNYCVSVYLEHSDEQ-----AVIKSPLKCTL	
	DCRS4.1_HU	YE-----LLYRVIINNSLE-----KEQKVYEGAHRA	
30			.
	IL-10Rb_Hu	TTHDETVP-	
	IL-10Rb_Mu	TGNDEITP-	
	INaR1_HU	TTVENELPP	
35	INaR1_MU	TTVANKMPV	
	INgR_HU	IFNSSIKG-	
	INgR_MU	PFHDDRKD-	
	IL-10Ra_Mu	ITTEQYFT-	
	IL-10Ra_Hu	LT-RQYFT-	
40	INgS_HU	TTANASAR-	
	Zcytor7_Hu	TLKDQSSE-	
	CYTOR11_HU	SYRYVTKPP	
	INaR2_HU	LPPGQESES	
	DCRS4.1_HU	VEIEALTP-	
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Table 5 shows comparison of sequences of cytokine receptor subunits with the primate, e.g., human, DCRS3.1 (50R), and DCRS4.1 (cytor). Both of the new genes are likely alpha type receptor subunits, and thus should bind to ligand without the need for a beta subunit. Based upon structural features, the ligand for the DCRS3 subunits are likely to be a member of the family of cytokines which includes IL-2, IL-4, IL-7, IL-9, and the additional cytokines which signal through IL-2 γ common

receptor-like subunits IL-13, IL-15, and the TSLP ligand. Similarly, the ligand for the DCRS4 receptor subunits are probably a ligand in the IL-10 or IFN families, which may be a multi-subunit cytokine, analogous to IL-6 and IL-12.

5 As used herein, the term DCRS3 shall be used to describe a protein comprising an amino acid sequence shown in Table 1; likewise with DCRS4 and Table 3. In many cases, a substantial fragment thereof will be functionally or structurally equivalent, including, e.g., an extracellular or intracellular 10 domain. The invention also includes a protein variation of a DCRS3 allele whose sequence is provided, e.g., a mutein or soluble extracellular construct. Typically, such agonists or antagonists will exhibit less than about 10% sequence differences, and thus will often have between 1- and 11-fold 15 substitutions, e.g., 2-, 3-, 5-, 7-fold, and others. It also encompasses allelic and other variants, e.g., natural polymorphic, of the protein described. Typically, it will bind to its corresponding biological ligand, perhaps in a dimerized state with an alpha receptor subunit, with high affinity, e.g., 20 at least about 100 nM, usually better than about 30 nM, preferably better than about 10 nM, and more preferably at better than about 3 nM. The term shall also be used herein to refer to related naturally occurring forms, e.g., alleles, 25 polymorphic variants, and metabolic variants of the mammalian protein. Preferred forms of the receptor complexes will bind the appropriate ligand with an affinity and selectivity appropriate for a ligand-receptor interaction.

This invention also encompasses combinations of proteins or peptides having substantial amino acid sequence identity with 30 the amino acid sequences in Tables 1 or 3. It will include sequence variants with relatively few substitutions, e.g., preferably less than about 3-5.

A substantial polypeptide "fragment", or "segment", is a stretch of amino acid residues of at least about 8 amino acids, 35 generally at least 10 amino acids, more generally at least 12 amino acids, often at least 14 amino acids, more often at least 16 amino acids, typically at least 18 amino acids, more

typically at least 20 amino acids, usually at least 22 amino acids, more usually at least 24 amino acids, preferably at least 26 amino acids, more preferably at least 28 amino acids, and, in particularly preferred embodiments, at least about 30 or more 5 amino acids. Sequences of segments of different proteins can be compared to one another over appropriate length stretches. In many situations, fragments may exhibit functional properties of the intact subunits, e.g., the extracellular domain of the transmembrane receptor may retain the ligand binding features, 10 and may be used to prepare a soluble receptor-like complex.

Amino acid sequence homology, or sequence identity, is determined by optimizing residue matches. In some comparisons, gaps may be introduced, as required. See, e.g., Needleham, et al., (1970) J. Mol. Biol. 48:443-453; Sankoff, et al., (1983) 15 chapter one in Time Warps, String Edits, and Macromolecules: The Theory and Practice of Sequence Comparison, Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA; and software packages from IntelliGenetics, Mountain View, CA; and the University of Wisconsin Genetics Computer Group (GCG), Madison, WI; each of which is incorporated 20 herein by reference. This changes when considering conservative substitutions as matches. Conservative substitutions typically include substitutions within the following groups: glycine, alanine; valine, isoleucine, leucine; aspartic acid, glutamic acid; asparagine, glutamine; serine, threonine; lysine, 25 arginine; and phenylalanine, tyrosine. Homologous amino acid sequences are intended to include natural allelic and interspecies variations in the cytokine sequence. Typical homologous proteins or peptides will have from 50-100% homology (if gaps can be introduced), to 60-100% homology (if 30 conservative substitutions are included) with an amino acid sequence segment of Table 1 or 3. Homology measures will be at least about 70%, generally at least 76%, more generally at least 81%, often at least 85%, more often at least 88%, typically at least 90%, more typically at least 92%, usually at least 94%, 35 more usually at least 95%, preferably at least 96%, and more preferably at least 97%, and in particularly preferred embodiments, at least 98% or more. The degree of homology will

vary with the length of the compared segments. Homologous proteins or peptides, such as the allelic variants, will share most biological activities with the embodiments described in Table 1 or 3.

5 As used herein, the term "biological activity" is used to describe, without limitation, effects on inflammatory responses, innate immunity, and/or morphogenic development by cytokine-like ligands. For example, these receptors should mediate phosphatase or phosphorylase activities, which activities are 10 easily measured by standard procedures. See, e.g., Hardie, et al. (eds. 1995) The Protein Kinase FactBook vols. I and II, Academic Press, San Diego, CA; Hanks, et al. (1991) Meth. Enzymol. 200:38-62; Hunter, et al. (1992) Cell 70:375-388; Lewin (1990) Cell 61:743-752; Pines, et al. (1991) Cold Spring Harbor 15 Symp. Quant. Biol. 56:449-463; and Parker, et al. (1993) Nature 363:736-738. The receptors, or portions thereof, may be useful as phosphate labeling enzymes to label general or specific substrates. The subunits may also be functional immunogens to elicit recognizing antibodies, or antigens capable of binding 20 antibodies.

The terms ligand, agonist, antagonist, and analog of, e.g., a DCRS3, include molecules that modulate the characteristic cellular responses to cytokine ligand proteins, as well as molecules possessing the more standard structural binding 25 competition features of ligand-receptor interactions, e.g., where the receptor is a natural receptor or an antibody. The cellular responses likely are typically mediated through receptor tyrosine kinase pathways.

Also, a ligand is a molecule which serves either as a 30 natural ligand to which said receptor, or an analog thereof, binds, or a molecule which is a functional analog of the natural ligand. The functional analog may be a ligand with structural modifications, or may be a wholly unrelated molecule which has a molecular shape which interacts with the appropriate ligand 35 binding determinants. The ligands may serve as agonists or antagonists, see, e.g., Goodman, et al. (eds. 1990) Goodman &

Gilman's: The Pharmacological Bases of Therapeutics, Pergamon Press, New York.

Rational drug design may also be based upon structural studies of the molecular shapes of a receptor or antibody and other effectors or ligands. See, e.g., Herz, et al. (1997) J. Recept. Signal Transduct. Res. 17:671-776; and Chaiken, et al. (1996) Trends Biotechnol. 14:369-375. Effectors may be other proteins which mediate other functions in response to ligand binding, or other proteins which normally interact with the receptor. One means for determining which sites interact with specific other proteins is a physical structure determination, e.g., x-ray crystallography or 2 dimensional NMR techniques. These will provide guidance as to which amino acid residues form molecular contact regions. For a detailed description of protein structural determination, see, e.g., Blundell and Johnson (1976) Protein Crystallography, Academic Press, New York, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

II. Activities

The cytokine receptor-like proteins will have a number of different biological activities, e.g., modulating cell proliferation, or in phosphate metabolism, being added to or removed from specific substrates, typically proteins. Such will generally result in modulation of an inflammatory function, other innate immunity response, or a morphological effect, as typical of cytokine or interleukin signaling. The subunit may have a specific low affinity binding to the ligand.

The receptors may signal through the JAK pathway. See, e.g., Ihle, et al. (1997) Stem Cells 15(suppl. 1):105-111; Silvennoinen, et al. (1997) APMIS 105:497-509; Levy (1997) Cytokine Growth Factor Review 8:81-90; Winston and Hunter (1996) Current Biol. 6:668-671; Barrett (1996) Baillieres Clin. Gastroenterol. 10:1-15; and Briscoe, et al. (1996) Philos. Trans. R. Soc. Lond. B. Biol. Sci. 351:167-171.

The biological activities of the cytokine receptor subunits will be related to addition or removal of phosphate moieties to substrates, typically in a specific manner, but occasionally in

a non specific manner. Substrates may be identified, or conditions for enzymatic activity may be assayed by standard methods, e.g., as described in Hardie, et al. (eds. 1995) The Protein Kinase FactBook vols. I and II, Academic Press, San Diego, CA; Hanks, et al. (1991) Meth. Enzymol. 200:38-62; Hunter, et al. (1992) Cell 70:375-388; Lewin (1990) Cell 61:743-752; Pines, et al. (1991) Cold Spring Harbor Symp. Quant. Biol. 56:449-463; and Parker, et al. (1993) Nature 363:736-738.

10 The receptor subunits may combine with other subunits, e.g., beta subunits, to form functional complexes, e.g., which may be useful for binding ligand or preparing antibodies. These will have substantial diagnostic uses, including detection or quantitation.

15 III. Nucleic Acids

This invention contemplates use of isolated nucleic acid or fragments, e.g., which encode these or closely related proteins, or fragments thereof, e.g., to encode a corresponding polypeptide, preferably one which is biologically active. In 20 addition, this invention covers isolated or recombinant DNAs which encode combinations of such proteins or polypeptides having characteristic sequences, e.g., of DCRS3s or DCRS4s. Typically, the nucleic acid is capable of hybridizing, under appropriate conditions, with a nucleic acid sequence segment 25 shown in Tables 1 or 3, but preferably not with a corresponding segment of other receptors, e.g., described in Table 5. Said biologically active protein or polypeptide can be a full length protein, or fragment, and will typically have a segment of amino acid sequence highly homologous, e.g., exhibiting significant 30 stretches of identity, to ones shown in Tables 1 or 3. Further, this invention covers the use of isolated or recombinant nucleic acid, or fragments thereof, which encode proteins having fragments which are equivalent to DCRS3 or DCRS4 proteins. The isolated nucleic acids can have the respective regulatory 35 sequences in the 5' and 3' flanks, e.g., promoters, enhancers, poly-A addition signals, and others from the natural gene. Combinations, as described, are also provided.

An "isolated" nucleic acid is a nucleic acid, e.g., an RNA, DNA, or a mixed polymer, which is substantially pure, e.g., separated from other components which naturally accompany a native sequence, such as ribosomes, polymerases, and flanking 5 genomic sequences from the originating species. The term embraces a nucleic acid sequence which has been removed from its naturally occurring environment, and includes recombinant or cloned DNA isolates, which are thereby distinguishable from naturally occurring compositions, and chemically synthesized 10 analogs or analogs biologically synthesized by heterologous systems. A substantially pure molecule includes isolated forms of the molecule, either completely or substantially pure.

An isolated nucleic acid will generally be a homogeneous composition of molecules, but will, in some embodiments, contain 15 heterogeneity, preferably minor. This heterogeneity is typically found at the polymer ends or portions not critical to a desired biological function or activity.

A "recombinant" nucleic acid is typically defined either by its method of production or its structure. In reference to its 20 method of production, e.g., a product made by a process, the process is use of recombinant nucleic acid techniques, e.g., involving human intervention in the nucleotide sequence. Typically this intervention involves in vitro manipulation, although under certain circumstances it may involve more 25 classical animal breeding techniques. Alternatively, it can be a nucleic acid made by generating a sequence comprising fusion of two fragments which are not naturally contiguous to each other, but is meant to exclude products of nature, e.g., naturally occurring mutants as found in their natural state.

30 Thus, for example, products made by transforming cells with an unnaturally occurring vector is encompassed, as are nucleic acids comprising sequence derived using any synthetic oligonucleotide process. Such a process is often done to replace a codon with a redundant codon encoding the same or a 35 conservative amino acid, while typically introducing or removing a restriction enzyme sequence recognition site. Alternatively, the process is performed to join together nucleic acid segments

of desired functions to generate a single genetic entity comprising a desired combination of functions not found in the commonly available natural forms, e.g., encoding a fusion protein. Restriction enzyme recognition sites are often the 5 target of such artificial manipulations, but other site specific targets, e.g., promoters, DNA replication sites, regulation sequences, control sequences, or other useful features may be incorporated by design. A similar concept is intended for a recombinant, e.g., fusion, polypeptide. This will include a 10 dimeric repeat. Specifically included are synthetic nucleic acids which, by genetic code redundancy, encode equivalent polypeptides to fragments of DCRS3 or DCRS4 and fusions of sequences from various different related molecules, e.g., other cytokine receptor family members.

15 A "fragment" in a nucleic acid context is a contiguous segment of at least about 17 nucleotides, generally at least 21 nucleotides, more generally at least 25 nucleotides, ordinarily at least 30 nucleotides, more ordinarily at least 35 nucleotides, often at least 39 nucleotides, more often at least 20 45 nucleotides, typically at least 50 nucleotides, more typically at least 55 nucleotides, usually at least 60 nucleotides, more usually at least 66 nucleotides, preferably at least 72 nucleotides, more preferably at least 79 nucleotides, and in particularly preferred embodiments will be at least 85 or 25 more nucleotides. Typically, fragments of different genetic sequences can be compared to one another over appropriate length stretches, particularly defined segments such as the domains described below.

30 A nucleic acid which codes for a DCRS3 or DCRS4 will be particularly useful to identify genes, mRNA, and cDNA species which code for itself or closely related proteins, as well as DNAs which code for polymorphic, allelic, or other genetic variants, e.g., from different individuals or related species. Preferred probes for such screens are those regions of the 35 interleukin which are conserved between different polymorphic variants or which contain nucleotides which lack specificity, and will preferably be full length or nearly so. In other

situations, polymorphic variant specific sequences will be more useful.

This invention further covers recombinant nucleic acid molecules and fragments having a nucleic acid sequence identical 5 to or highly homologous to the isolated DNA set forth herein. In particular, the sequences will often be operably linked to DNA segments which control transcription, translation, and DNA replication. These additional segments typically assist in expression of the desired nucleic acid segment.

10 Homologous, or highly identical, nucleic acid sequences, when compared to one another, e.g., DCRS3 sequences, exhibit significant similarity. The standards for homology in nucleic acids are either measures for homology generally used in the art by sequence comparison or based upon hybridization conditions. 15 Comparative hybridization conditions are described in greater detail below.

Substantial identity in the nucleic acid sequence comparison context means either that the segments, or their complementary strands, when compared, are identical when 20 optimally aligned, with appropriate nucleotide insertions or deletions, in at least about 60% of the nucleotides, generally at least 66%, ordinarily at least 71%, often at least 76%, more often at least 80%, usually at least 84%, more usually at least 88%, typically at least 91%, more typically at least about 93%, 25 preferably at least about 95%, more preferably at least about 96 to 98% or more, and in particular embodiments, as high at about 99% or more of the nucleotides, including, e.g., segments encoding structural domains such as the segments described below. Alternatively, substantial identity will exist when the 30 segments will hybridize under selective hybridization conditions, to a strand or its complement, typically using a sequence derived from Tables 1 or 3. Typically, selective hybridization will occur when there is at least about 55% homology over a stretch of at least about 14 nucleotides, more 35 typically at least about 65%, preferably at least about 75%, and more preferably at least about 90%. See, Kanehisa (1984) Nucl. Acids Res. 12:203-213, which is incorporated herein by

reference. The length of homology comparison, as described, may be over longer stretches, and in certain embodiments will be over a stretch of at least about 17 nucleotides, generally at least about 20 nucleotides, ordinarily at least about 24 5 nucleotides, usually at least about 28 nucleotides, typically at least about 32 nucleotides, more typically at least about 40 nucleotides, preferably at least about 50 nucleotides, and more preferably at least about 75 to 100 or more nucleotides. This includes, e.g., 125, 150, 175, 200, 225, 250, 275, 300, 325, 10 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 475, 500, 525, 544, and other lengths.

Stringent conditions, in referring to homology in the hybridization context, will be stringent combined conditions of salt, temperature, organic solvents, and other parameters typically controlled in hybridization reactions. Stringent 15 temperature conditions will usually include temperatures in excess of about 30 °C, more usually in excess of about 37 °C, typically in excess of about 45 °C, more typically in excess of about 55 °C, preferably in excess of about 65 °C, and more preferably in excess of about 70 °C. Stringent salt conditions 20 will ordinarily be less than about 500 mM, usually less than about 400 mM, more usually less than about 300 mM, typically less than about 200 mM, preferably less than about 100 mM, and more preferably less than about 80 mM, even down to less than about 20 mM. However, the combination of parameters is much 25 more important than the measure of any single parameter. See, e.g., Wetmur and Davidson (1968) J. Mol. Biol. 31:349-370, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

The isolated DNA can be readily modified by nucleotide substitutions, nucleotide deletions, nucleotide insertions, and 30 inversions of nucleotide stretches. These modifications result in novel DNA sequences which encode this protein or its derivatives. These modified sequences can be used to produce mutant proteins (muteins) or to enhance the expression of variant species. Enhanced expression may involve gene 35 amplification, increased transcription, increased translation, and other mechanisms. Such mutant DCRS-like derivatives include predetermined or site-specific mutations of the protein or its

fragments, including silent mutations using genetic code degeneracy. "Mutant DCRS3" as used herein encompasses a polypeptide otherwise falling within the homology definition of the DCRS3 as set forth above, but having an amino acid sequence 5 which differs from that of other cytokine receptor-like proteins as found in nature, whether by way of deletion, substitution, or insertion. In particular, "site specific mutant DCRS3" encompasses a protein having substantial sequence identity with a protein of Table 1, and typically shares most of the 10 biological activities or effects of the forms disclosed herein. Likewise in reference to DCRS4.

Although site specific mutation sites are predetermined, mutants need not be site specific. Mammalian DCRS3 mutagenesis can be achieved by making amino acid insertions or deletions in 15 the gene, coupled with expression. Substitutions, deletions, insertions, or many combinations may be generated to arrive at a final construct. Insertions include amino- or carboxy- terminal fusions. Random mutagenesis can be conducted at a target codon and the expressed mammalian DCRS3 mutants can then be screened 20 for the desired activity, providing some aspect of a structure-activity relationship. Methods for making substitution mutations at predetermined sites in DNA having a known sequence are well known in the art, e.g., by M13 primer mutagenesis. See also Sambrook, et al. (1989) and Ausubel, et al. (1987 and 25 periodic Supplements).

The mutations in the DNA normally should not place coding sequences out of reading frames and preferably will not create complementary regions that could hybridize to produce secondary mRNA structure such as loops or hairpins.

30 The phosphoramidite method described by Beaucage and Carruthers (1981) Tetra. Letts. 22:1859-1862, will produce suitable synthetic DNA fragments. A double stranded fragment will often be obtained either by synthesizing the complementary strand and annealing the strand together under appropriate 35 conditions or by adding the complementary strand using DNA polymerase with an appropriate primer sequence.

Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) techniques can often be applied in mutagenesis. Alternatively, mutagenesis primers are commonly used methods for generating defined mutations at predetermined sites. See, e.g., Innis, et al. (eds. 1990) PCR Protocols: A Guide to Methods and Applications Academic Press, San Diego, CA; and Dieffenbach and Dveksler (1995; eds.) PCR Primer: A Laboratory Manual Cold Spring Harbor Press, CSH, NY.

Certain embodiments of the invention are directed to combination compositions comprising the receptor or ligand sequences described. In other embodiments, functional portions of the sequences may be joined to encode fusion proteins. In other forms, variants of the described sequences may be substituted.

15 IV. Proteins, Peptides

As described above, the present invention encompasses primate DCRS3, e.g., whose sequences are disclosed in Table 1, and described above. Allelic and other variants are also contemplated, including, e.g., fusion proteins combining portions of such sequences with others, including, e.g., epitope tags and functional domains.

The present invention also provides recombinant proteins, e.g., heterologous fusion proteins using segments from these primate or rodent proteins. A heterologous fusion protein is a fusion of proteins or segments which are naturally not normally fused in the same manner. Thus, the fusion product of a DCRS3 with another cytokine receptor is a continuous protein molecule having sequences fused in a typical peptide linkage, typically made as a single translation product and exhibiting properties, e.g., sequence or antigenicity, derived from each source peptide. A similar concept applies to heterologous nucleic acid sequences. Combinations of various designated proteins into complexes are also provided.

In addition, new constructs may be made from combining similar functional or structural domains from other related proteins, e.g., cytokine receptors or Toll-like receptors, including species variants. For example, ligand-binding or

other segments may be "swapped" between different new fusion polypeptides or fragments. See, e.g., Cunningham, et al. (1989) Science 243:1330-1336; and O'Dowd, et al. (1988) J. Biol. Chem. 263:15985-15992, each of which is incorporated herein by reference. Thus, new chimeric polypeptides exhibiting new combinations of specificities will result from the functional linkage of receptor-binding specificities. For example, the ligand binding domains from other related receptor molecules may be added or substituted for other domains of this or related proteins. The resulting protein will often have hybrid function and properties. For example, a fusion protein may include a targeting domain which may serve to provide sequestering of the fusion protein to a particular subcellular organelle.

Candidate fusion partners and sequences can be selected from various sequence data bases, e.g., GenBank, c/o IntelliGenetics, Mountain View, CA; and BCG, University of Wisconsin Biotechnology Computing Group, Madison, WI, which are each incorporated herein by reference. In particular, combinations of polypeptide sequences provided in Tables 1 and 3 are particularly preferred. Variant forms of the proteins may be substituted in the described combinations.

The present invention particularly provides muteins which bind cytokine-like ligands, and/or which are affected in signal transduction. Structural alignment of human DCRS3 or DCRS4 with other members of the cytokine receptor family show conserved features/residues. See Table 5. Alignment of human DCRS3 or DCRS4 sequence with other members of the cytokine receptor family indicates various structural and functionally shared features. See also, Bazan, et al. (1996) Nature 379:591; Lodi, et al. (1994) Science 263:1762-1766; Sayle and Milner-White (1995) TIBS 20:374-376; and Gronenberg, et al. (1991) Protein Engineering 4:263-269.

Substitutions with either mouse sequences or human sequences are particularly preferred. Conversely, conservative substitutions away from the ligand binding interaction regions will probably preserve most signaling activities; and

conservative substitutions away from the intracellular domains will probably preserve most ligand binding properties.

"Derivatives" of primate DCRS3 include amino acid sequence mutants, glycosylation variants, metabolic derivatives and 5 covalent or aggregative conjugates with other chemical moieties. Covalent derivatives can be prepared by linkage of functionalities to groups which are found in DCRS3 amino acid side chains or at the N- or C- termini, e.g., by means which are well known in the art. These derivatives can include, without 10 limitation, aliphatic esters or amides of the carboxyl terminus, or of residues containing carboxyl side chains, O-acyl derivatives of hydroxyl group-containing residues, and N-acyl derivatives of the amino terminal amino acid or amino-group containing residues, e.g., lysine or arginine. Acyl groups are 15 selected from the group of alkyl-moieties, including C3 to C18 normal alkyl, thereby forming alkanoyl aroyl species.

In particular, glycosylation alterations are included, e.g., made by modifying the glycosylation patterns of a polypeptide during its synthesis and processing, or in further 20 processing steps. Particularly preferred means for accomplishing this are by exposing the polypeptide to glycosylating enzymes derived from cells which normally provide such processing, e.g., mammalian glycosylation enzymes. Deglycosylation enzymes are also contemplated. Also embraced are 25 versions of the same primary amino acid sequence which have other minor modifications, including phosphorylated amino acid residues, e.g., phosphotyrosine, phosphoserine, or phosphothreonine.

A major group of derivatives are covalent conjugates of the 30 receptors or fragments thereof with other proteins of polypeptides. These derivatives can be synthesized in recombinant culture such as N- or C-terminal fusions or by the use of agents known in the art for their usefulness in cross-linking proteins through reactive side groups. Preferred 35 derivatization sites with cross-linking agents are at free amino groups, carbohydrate moieties, and cysteine residues.

Fusion polypeptides between the receptors and other homologous or heterologous proteins are also provided. Homologous polypeptides may be fusions between different receptors, resulting in, for instance, a hybrid protein 5 exhibiting binding specificity for multiple different cytokine ligands, or a receptor which may have broadened or weakened specificity of substrate effect. Likewise, heterologous fusions may be constructed which would exhibit a combination of properties or activities of the derivative proteins. Typical 10 examples are fusions of a reporter polypeptide, e.g., luciferase, with a segment or domain of a receptor, e.g., a ligand-binding segment, so that the presence or location of a desired ligand may be easily determined. See, e.g., Dull, et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,859,609, which is hereby incorporated 15 herein by reference. Other gene fusion partners include glutathione-S-transferase (GST), bacterial β -galactosidase, trpE, Protein A, β -lactamase, alpha amylase, alcohol dehydrogenase, and yeast alpha mating factor. See, e.g., Godowski, et al. (1988) Science 241:812-816. Labeled proteins 20 will often be substituted in the described combinations of proteins.

The phosphoramidite method described by Beaucage and Carruthers (1981) Tetra. Letts. 22:1859-1862, will produce suitable synthetic DNA fragments. A double stranded fragment 25 will often be obtained either by synthesizing the complementary strand and annealing the strand together under appropriate conditions or by adding the complementary strand using DNA polymerase with an appropriate primer sequence.

Such polypeptides may also have amino acid residues which 30 have been chemically modified by phosphorylation, sulfonation, biotinylation, or the addition or removal of other moieties, particularly those which have molecular shapes similar to phosphate groups. In some embodiments, the modifications will be useful labeling reagents, or serve as purification targets, 35 e.g., affinity ligands.

Fusion proteins will typically be made by either recombinant nucleic acid methods or by synthetic polypeptide

methods. Techniques for nucleic acid manipulation and expression are described generally, for example, in Sambrook, et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (2d ed.), Vols. 1-3, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, and Ausubel, et al. 5 (eds. 1987 and periodic supplements) Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, Greene/Wiley, New York, which are each incorporated herein by reference. Techniques for synthesis of polypeptides are described, for example, in Merrifield (1963) J. Amer. Chem. Soc. 85:2149-2156; Merrifield (1986) Science 232: 10 341-347; and Atherton, et al. (1989) Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis: A Practical Approach, IRL Press, Oxford; each of which is incorporated herein by reference. See also Dawson, et al. (1994) Science 266:776-779 for methods to make larger polypeptides.

15 This invention also contemplates the use of derivatives of a DCRS3 or DCRS4 other than variations in amino acid sequence or glycosylation. Such derivatives may involve covalent or aggregative association with chemical moieties. These derivatives generally fall into three classes: (1) salts, (2) 20 side chain and terminal residue covalent modifications, and (3) adsorption complexes, for example with cell membranes. Such covalent or aggregative derivatives are useful as immunogens, as reagents in immunoassays, or in purification methods such as for affinity purification of a receptor or other binding molecule, 25 e.g., an antibody. For example, a cytokine ligand can be immobilized by covalent bonding to a solid support such as cyanogen bromide-activated Sepharose, by methods which are well known in the art, or adsorbed onto polyolefin surfaces, with or without glutaraldehyde cross-linking, for use in the assay or 30 purification of a cytokine receptor, antibodies, or other similar molecules. The ligand can also be labeled with a detectable group, for example radioiodinated by the chloramine T procedure, covalently bound to rare earth chelates, or conjugated to another fluorescent moiety for use in diagnostic 35 assays.

A combination, e.g., including a DCRS3 or DCRS4, of this invention can be used as an immunogen for the production of

antisera or antibodies specific, e.g., capable of distinguishing between other cytokine receptor family members, for the combinations described. The complexes can be used to screen monoclonal antibodies or antigen-binding fragments prepared by 5 immunization with various forms of impure preparations containing the protein. In particular, the term "antibodies" also encompasses antigen binding fragments of natural antibodies, e.g., Fab, Fab2, Fv, etc. A purified DCRS3 can also be used as a reagent to detect antibodies generated in response 10 to the presence of elevated levels of expression, or immunological disorders which lead to antibody production to the endogenous receptor. Additionally, DCRS3 fragments may also serve as immunogens to produce the antibodies of the present invention, as described immediately below. For example, this 15 invention contemplates antibodies having binding affinity to or being raised against the amino acid sequences shown in Table 1, fragments thereof, or various homologous peptides. In particular, this invention contemplates antibodies having binding affinity to, or having been raised against, specific 20 fragments which are predicted to be, or actually are, exposed at the exterior protein surface of a native DCRS3. Complexes of combinations of proteins will also be useful, and antibody preparations thereto can be made.

The blocking of physiological response to the receptor 25 ligands may result from the inhibition of binding of the ligand to the receptor, likely through competitive inhibition. Thus, in vitro assays of the present invention will often use antibodies or antigen binding segments of these antibodies, or fragments attached to solid phase substrates. These assays will 30 also allow for the diagnostic determination of the effects of either ligand binding region mutations and modifications, or other mutations and modifications, e.g., which affect signaling or enzymatic function.

This invention also contemplates the use of competitive 35 drug screening assays, e.g., where neutralizing antibodies to the receptor complexes or fragments compete with a test compound for binding to a ligand or other antibody. In this manner, the

neutralizing antibodies or fragments can be used to detect the presence of a polypeptide which shares one or more binding sites to a receptor and can also be used to occupy binding sites on a receptor that might otherwise bind a ligand.

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V. Making Nucleic Acids and Protein

DNA which encodes the protein or fragments thereof can be obtained by chemical synthesis, screening cDNA libraries, or by screening genomic libraries prepared from a wide variety of cell lines or tissue samples. Natural sequences can be isolated using standard methods and the sequences provided herein, e.g., in Tables 1 or 3. Other species counterparts can be identified by hybridization techniques, or by various PCR techniques, combined with or by searching in sequence databases, e.g., 10 GenBank.

This DNA can be expressed in a wide variety of host cells for the synthesis of a full-length receptor or fragments which can in turn, for example, be used to generate polyclonal or monoclonal antibodies; for binding studies; for construction and 20 expression of modified ligand binding or kinase/phosphatase domains; and for structure/function studies. Variants or fragments can be expressed in host cells that are transformed or transfected with appropriate expression vectors. These molecules can be substantially free of protein or cellular 25 contaminants, other than those derived from the recombinant host, and therefore are particularly useful in pharmaceutical compositions when combined with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and/or diluent. The protein, or portions thereof, may be expressed as fusions with other proteins. Combinations of 30 the described proteins, or nucleic acids encoding them, are particularly interesting.

Expression vectors are typically self-replicating DNA or RNA constructs containing the desired receptor gene or its fragments, usually operably linked to suitable genetic control 35 elements that are recognized in a suitable host cell. These control elements are capable of effecting expression within a suitable host. The multiple genes may be coordinately

expressed, and may be on a polycistronic message. The specific type of control elements necessary to effect expression will depend upon the eventual host cell used. Generally, the genetic control elements can include a prokaryotic promoter system or a 5 eukaryotic promoter expression control system, and typically include a transcriptional promoter, an optional operator to control the onset of transcription, transcription enhancers to elevate the level of mRNA expression, a sequence that encodes a suitable ribosome binding site, and sequences that terminate 10 transcription and translation. Expression vectors also usually contain an origin of replication that allows the vector to replicate independently of the host cell.

The vectors of this invention include those which contain DNA which encodes a combination of proteins, as described, or a 15 biologically active equivalent polypeptide. The DNA can be under the control of a viral promoter and can encode a selection marker. This invention further contemplates use of such expression vectors which are capable of expressing eukaryotic cDNAs coding for such proteins in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic 20 host, where the vector is compatible with the host and where the eukaryotic cDNAs are inserted into the vector such that growth of the host containing the vector expresses the cDNAs in question. Usually, expression vectors are designed for stable 25 replication in their host cells or for amplification to greatly increase the total number of copies of the desirable gene per cell. It is not always necessary to require that an expression vector replicate in a host cell, e.g., it is possible to effect transient expression of the protein or its fragments in various hosts using vectors that do not contain a replication origin 30 that is recognized by the host cell. It is also possible to use vectors that cause integration of the protein encoding portions into the host DNA by recombination.

Vectors, as used herein, comprise plasmids, viruses, bacteriophage, integratable DNA fragments, and other vehicles 35 which enable the integration of DNA fragments into the genome of the host. Expression vectors are specialized vectors which contain genetic control elements that effect expression of

operably linked genes. Plasmids are the most commonly used form of vector but all other forms of vectors which serve an equivalent function and which are, or become, known in the art are suitable for use herein. See, e.g., Pouwels, et al. (1985 and Supplements) Cloning Vectors: A Laboratory Manual, Elsevier, N.Y., and Rodriguez, et al. (eds. 1988) Vectors: A Survey of Molecular Cloning Vectors and Their Uses, Butterworth, Boston, which are incorporated herein by reference.

Transformed cells are cells, preferably mammalian, that have been transformed or transfected with vectors constructed using recombinant DNA techniques. Transformed host cells usually express the desired proteins, but for purposes of cloning, amplifying, and manipulating its DNA, do not need to express the subject proteins. This invention further contemplates culturing transformed cells in a nutrient medium, thus permitting the proteins to accumulate. The proteins can be recovered, either from the culture or, in certain instances, from the culture medium.

For purposes of this invention, nucleic sequences are operably linked when they are functionally related to each other. For example, DNA for a presequence or secretory leader is operably linked to a polypeptide if it is expressed as a preprotein or participates in directing the polypeptide to the cell membrane or in secretion of the polypeptide. A promoter is operably linked to a coding sequence if it controls the transcription of the polypeptide; a ribosome binding site is operably linked to a coding sequence if it is positioned to permit translation. Usually, operably linked means contiguous and in reading frame, however, certain genetic elements such as repressor genes are not contiguously linked but still bind to operator sequences that in turn control expression.

Suitable host cells include prokaryotes, lower eukaryotes, and higher eukaryotes. Prokaryotes include both gram negative and gram positive organisms, e.g., E. coli and B. subtilis. Lower eukaryotes include yeasts, e.g., S. cerevisiae and Pichia, and species of the genus Dictyostelium. Higher eukaryotes include established tissue culture cell lines from animal cells,

both of non-mammalian origin, e.g., insect cells, and birds, and of mammalian origin, e.g., human, primates, and rodents.

Prokaryotic host-vector systems include a wide variety of vectors for many different species. As used herein, E. coli and 5 its vectors will be used generically to include equivalent vectors used in other prokaryotes. A representative vector for amplifying DNA is pBR322 or many of its derivatives. Vectors that can be used to express the receptor or its fragments include, but are not limited to, such vectors as those 10 containing the lac promoter (pUC-series); trp promoter (pBR322-trp); Ipp promoter (the pIN-series); lambda-pP or pR promoters (pOTS); or hybrid promoters such as ptac (pDR540). See Brosius, et al. (1988) "Expression Vectors Employing Lambda-, trp-, lac-, and Ipp-derived Promoters", in Vectors: A 15 Survey of Molecular Cloning Vectors and Their Uses, (eds. Rodriguez and Denhardt), Butterworth, Boston, Chapter 10, pp. 205-236, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Lower eukaryotes, e.g., yeasts and Dictyostelium, may be transformed with DCRS3 or DCRS4 sequence containing vectors. 20 For purposes of this invention, the most common lower eukaryotic host is the baker's yeast, Saccharomyces cerevisiae. It will be used to generically represent lower eukaryotes although a number of other strains and species are also available. Yeast vectors typically consist of a replication origin (unless of the 25 integrating type), a selection gene, a promoter, DNA encoding the receptor or its fragments, and sequences for translation termination, polyadenylation, and transcription termination. Suitable expression vectors for yeast include such constitutive promoters as 3-phosphoglycerate kinase and various other 30 glycolytic enzyme gene promoters or such inducible promoters as the alcohol dehydrogenase 2 promoter or metallothioneine promoter. Suitable vectors include derivatives of the following types: self-replicating low copy number (such as the YRp-series), self-replicating high copy number (such as the YEpl-series); integrating types (such as the YIp-series), or 35 mini-chromosomes (such as the YCp-series).

Higher eukaryotic tissue culture cells are normally the preferred host cells for expression of the functionally active interleukin or receptor proteins. In principle, many higher eukaryotic tissue culture cell lines are workable, e.g., insect 5 baculovirus expression systems, whether from an invertebrate or vertebrate source. However, mammalian cells are preferred. Transformation or transfection and propagation of such cells has become a routine procedure. Examples of useful cell lines 10 include HeLa cells, Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cell lines, baby rat kidney (BRK) cell lines, insect cell lines, bird cell lines, and monkey (COS) cell lines. Expression vectors for such cell lines usually include an origin of replication, a promoter, a 15 translation initiation site, RNA splice sites (if genomic DNA is used), a polyadenylation site, and a transcription termination site. These vectors also usually contain a selection gene or amplification gene. Suitable expression vectors may be plasmids, viruses, or retroviruses carrying promoters derived, e.g., from such sources as from adenovirus, SV40, parvoviruses, 20 vaccinia virus, or cytomegalovirus. Representative examples of suitable expression vectors include pCDNA1; pCD, see Okayama, et al. (1985) Mol. Cell Biol. 5:1136-1142; pMC1neo PolyA, see Thomas, et al. (1987) Cell 51:503-512; and a baculovirus vector 25 such as pAC 373 or pAC 610.

For secreted proteins and some membrane proteins, an open 25 reading frame usually encodes a polypeptide that consists of a mature or secreted product covalently linked at its N-terminus to a signal peptide. The signal peptide is cleaved prior to secretion of the mature, or active, polypeptide. The cleavage site can be predicted with a high degree of accuracy from 30 empirical rules, e.g., von-Heijne (1986) Nucleic Acids Research 14:4683-4690 and Nielsen, et al. (1997) Protein Eng. 10:1-12, and the precise amino acid composition of the signal peptide often does not appear to be critical to its function, e.g., Randall, et al. (1989) Science 243:1156-1159; Kaiser et al. 35 (1987) Science 235:312-317. The mature proteins of the invention can be readily determined using standard methods.

It will often be desired to express these polypeptides in a system which provides a specific or defined glycosylation pattern. In this case, the usual pattern will be that provided naturally by the expression system. However, the pattern will 5 be modifiable by exposing the polypeptide, e.g., an unglycosylated form, to appropriate glycosylating proteins introduced into a heterologous expression system. For example, the receptor gene may be co-transformed with one or more genes encoding mammalian or other glycosylating enzymes. Using this 10 approach, certain mammalian glycosylation patterns will be achievable in prokaryote or other cells. Expression in prokaryote cells will typically lead to unglycosylated forms of protein.

The source of DCRS3 or DCRS4 can be a eukaryotic or 15 prokaryotic host expressing recombinant DCRS, such as is described above. The source can also be a cell line, but other mammalian cell lines are also contemplated by this invention, with the preferred cell line being from the human species.

Now that the sequences are known, a primate DCRS3 or DCRS4, 20 fragments, or derivatives thereof can be prepared by conventional processes for synthesizing peptides. These include processes such as are described in Stewart and Young (1984) Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis, Pierce Chemical Co., Rockford, IL; Bodanszky and Bodanszky (1984) The Practice of Peptide 25 Synthesis, Springer-Verlag, New York; and Bodanszky (1984) The Principles of Peptide Synthesis, Springer-Verlag, New York; all of each which are incorporated herein by reference. For example, an azide process, an acid chloride process, an acid anhydride process, a mixed anhydride process, an active ester 30 process (for example, p-nitrophenyl ester, N-hydroxysuccinimide ester, or cyanomethyl ester), a carbodiimidazole process, an oxidative-reductive process, or a dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCCD)/additive process can be used. Solid phase and solution phase syntheses are both applicable to the foregoing processes. 35 Similar techniques can be used with partial DCRS3 or DCRS4 sequences.

DCRS3 or DCRS4 proteins, fragments, or derivatives are suitably prepared in accordance with the above processes as typically employed in peptide synthesis, generally either by a so-called stepwise process which comprises condensing an amino acid to the terminal amino acid, one by one in sequence, or by coupling peptide fragments to the terminal amino acid. Amino groups that are not being used in the coupling reaction typically must be protected to prevent coupling at an incorrect location.

If a solid phase synthesis is adopted, the C-terminal amino acid is bound to an insoluble carrier or support through its carboxyl group. The insoluble carrier is not particularly limited as long as it has a binding capability to a reactive carboxyl group. Examples of such insoluble carriers include halomethyl resins, such as chloromethyl resin or bromomethyl resin, hydroxymethyl resins, phenol resins, tert-alkyloxycarbonylhydrazidated resins, and the like.

An amino group-protected amino acid is bound in sequence through condensation of its activated carboxyl group and the reactive amino group of the previously formed peptide or chain, to synthesize the peptide step by step. After synthesizing the complete sequence, the peptide is split off from the insoluble carrier to produce the peptide. This solid-phase approach is generally described by Merrifield, et al. (1963) in J. Am. Chem. Soc. 85:2149-2156, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The prepared protein and fragments thereof can be isolated and purified from the reaction mixture by means of peptide separation, for example, by extraction, precipitation, electrophoresis, various forms of chromatography, and the like. The receptors of this invention can be obtained in varying degrees of purity depending upon desired uses. Purification can be accomplished by use of the protein purification techniques disclosed herein, see below, or by the use of the antibodies herein described in methods of immunoabsorbant affinity chromatography. This immunoabsorbant affinity chromatography is carried out by first linking the antibodies to a solid support and then contacting the linked antibodies with solubilized

lysates of appropriate cells, lysates of other cells expressing the receptor, or lysates or supernatants of cells producing the protein as a result of DNA techniques, see below.

Generally, the purified protein will be at least about 40% 5 pure, ordinarily at least about 50% pure, usually at least about 60% pure, typically at least about 70% pure, more typically at least about 80% pure, preferable at least about 90% pure and more preferably at least about 95% pure, and in particular 10 embodiments, 97%-99% or more. Purity will usually be on a weight basis, but can also be on a molar basis. Different assays will be applied as appropriate. Individual proteins may be purified and thereafter combined.

VI. Antibodies

15 Antibodies can be raised to various mammalian, e.g., primate DCRS3 or DCRS4 proteins and fragments thereof, both in naturally occurring native forms and in their recombinant forms, the difference being that antibodies to the active receptor are more likely to recognize epitopes which are only present in the 20 native conformations. Denatured antigen detection can also be useful in, e.g., Western analysis. Anti-idiotypic antibodies are also contemplated, which would be useful as agonists or antagonists of a natural receptor or an antibody.

Antibodies, including binding fragments and single chain 25 versions, against predetermined fragments of the protein can be raised by immunization of animals with conjugates of the fragments with immunogenic proteins. Monoclonal antibodies are prepared from cells secreting the desired antibody. These antibodies can be screened for binding to normal or defective 30 protein, or screened for agonistic or antagonistic activity. These monoclonal antibodies will usually bind with at least a K_D of about 1 mM, more usually at least about 300 μ M, typically at least about 100 μ M, more typically at least about 30 μ M, preferably at least about 10 μ M, and more preferably at least 35 about 3 μ M or better.

The antibodies, including antigen binding fragments, of this invention can have significant diagnostic or therapeutic

value. They can be potent antagonists that bind to the receptor and inhibit binding to ligand or inhibit the ability of the receptor to elicit a biological response, e.g., act on its substrate. They also can be useful as non-neutralizing 5 antibodies and can be coupled to toxins or radionuclides to bind producing cells, or cells localized to the source of the interleukin. Further, these antibodies can be conjugated to drugs or other therapeutic agents, either directly or indirectly by means of a linker.

10 The antibodies of this invention can also be useful in diagnostic applications. As capture or non-neutralizing antibodies, they might bind to the receptor without inhibiting ligand or substrate binding. As neutralizing antibodies, they can be useful in competitive binding assays. They will also be 15 useful in detecting or quantifying ligand. They may be used as reagents for Western blot analysis, or for immunoprecipitation or immunopurification of the respective protein. Likewise, nucleic acids and proteins may be immobilized to solid substrates for affinity purification or detection methods. The 20 substrates may be, e.g., solid resin beads or sheets of plastic.

Protein fragments may be joined to other materials, particularly polypeptides, as fused or covalently joined polypeptides to be used as immunogens. Mammalian cytokine receptors and fragments may be fused or covalently linked to a 25 variety of immunogens, such as keyhole limpet hemocyanin, bovine serum albumin, tetanus toxoid, etc. See Microbiology, Hoeber Medical Division, Harper and Row, 1969; Landsteiner (1962) Specificity of Serological Reactions, Dover Publications, New York; and Williams, et al. (1967) Methods in Immunology and 30 Immunochemistry, Vol. 1, Academic Press, New York; each of which are incorporated herein by reference, for descriptions of methods of preparing polyclonal antisera. A typical method involves hyperimmunization of an animal with an antigen. The blood of the animal is then collected shortly after the repeated 35 immunizations and the gamma globulin is isolated.

In some instances, it is desirable to prepare monoclonal antibodies from various mammalian hosts, such as mice, rodents,

primates, humans, etc. Description of techniques for preparing such monoclonal antibodies may be found in, e.g., Stites, et al. (eds.) Basic and Clinical Immunology (4th ed.), Lange Medical Publications, Los Altos, CA, and references cited therein;

5 Harlow and Lane (1988) Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual, CSH Press; Goding (1986) Monoclonal Antibodies: Principles and Practice (2d ed.) Academic Press, New York; and particularly in Kohler and Milstein (1975) in Nature 256: 495-497, which discusses one method of generating monoclonal antibodies. Each 10 of these references is incorporated herein by reference.

Summarized briefly, this method involves injecting an animal with an immunogen. The animal is then sacrificed and cells taken from its spleen, which are then fused with myeloma cells. The result is a hybrid cell or "hybridoma" that is capable of 15 reproducing in vitro. The population of hybridomas is then screened to isolate individual clones, each of which secrete a single antibody species to the immunogen. In this manner, the individual antibody species obtained are the products of immortalized and cloned single B cells from the immune animal 20 generated in response to a specific site recognized on the immunogenic substance.

Other suitable techniques involve in vitro exposure of lymphocytes to the antigenic polypeptides or alternatively to selection of libraries of antibodies in phage or similar 25 vectors. See, Huse, et al. (1989) "Generation of a Large Combinatorial Library of the Immunoglobulin Repertoire in Phage Lambda," Science 246:1275-1281; and Ward, et al. (1989) Nature 341:544-546, each of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference. The polypeptides and antibodies of the present 30 invention may be used with or without modification, including chimeric or humanized antibodies. Frequently, the polypeptides and antibodies will be labeled by joining, either covalently or non-covalently, a substance which provides for a detectable signal. A wide variety of labels and conjugation techniques are 35 known and are reported extensively in both the scientific and patent literature. Suitable labels include radionuclides, enzymes, substrates, cofactors, inhibitors, fluorescent

moieties, chemiluminescent moieties, magnetic particles, and the like. Patents, teaching the use of such labels include U.S. Patent Nos. 3,817,837; 3,850,752; 3,939,350; 3,996,345; 4,277,437; 4,275,149; and 4,366,241. Also, recombinant or 5 chimeric immunoglobulins may be produced, see Cabilly, U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567; or made in transgenic mice, see Mendez, et al. (1997) Nature Genetics 15:146-156. These references are incorporated herein by reference.

10 The antibodies of this invention can also be used for affinity chromatography in isolating DCRS3 proteins or peptides. Columns can be prepared where the antibodies are linked to a solid support, e.g., particles, such as agarose, Sephadex, or the like, where a cell lysate may be passed through the column, the column washed, followed by increasing concentrations of a 15 mild denaturant, whereby the purified protein will be released. Alternatively, the protein may be used to purify antibody. Appropriate cross absorptions or depletions may be applied.

20 The antibodies may also be used to screen expression libraries for particular expression products. Usually the antibodies used in such a procedure will be labeled with a 25 moiety allowing easy detection of presence of antigen by antibody binding.

Antibodies raised against a cytokine receptor will also be used to raise anti-idiotypic antibodies. These will be useful 25 in detecting or diagnosing various immunological conditions related to expression of the protein or cells which express the protein. They also will be useful as agonists or antagonists of the ligand, which may be competitive inhibitors or substitutes for naturally occurring ligands.

30 A cytokine receptor protein that specifically binds to or that is specifically immunoreactive with an antibody generated against a defined immunogen, such as an immunogen consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, 25, 5, 28, or 31, is typically determined in an immunoassay. The immunoassay 35 typically uses a polyclonal antiserum which was raised, e.g., to a protein of SEQ ID NO: 2, 25, 5, 28, or 31. This antiserum is selected to have low crossreactivity against other cytokine

receptor family members, e.g., IL-11 receptor subunit alpha, IL-6 receptor subunit alpha, or p40, preferably from the same species, and any such crossreactivity is removed by immunoabsorption prior to use in the immunoassay.

5 In order to produce antisera for use in an immunoassay, the protein, e.g., of SEQ ID NO: 2, 25, 5, 28, or 31, is isolated as described herein. For example, recombinant protein may be produced in a mammalian cell line. An appropriate host, e.g., an inbred strain of mice such as Balb/c, is immunized with the 10 selected protein, typically using a standard adjuvant, such as Freund's adjuvant, and a standard mouse immunization protocol (see Harlow and Lane, *supra*). Alternatively, a synthetic peptide derived from the sequences disclosed herein and conjugated to a carrier protein can be used an immunogen.

15 Polyclonal sera are collected and titered against the immunogen protein in an immunoassay, e.g., a solid phase immunoassay with the immunogen immobilized on a solid support. Polyclonal antisera with a titer of 10^4 or greater are selected and tested for their cross reactivity against other cytokine receptor 20 family members, e.g., IL-2, IL-7, IL-9, or EPO receptor subunit, using a competitive binding immunoassay such as the one described in Harlow and Lane, *supra*, at pages 570-573. Preferably at least two cytokine receptor family members are used in this determination. These cytokine receptor family 25 members can be produced as recombinant proteins and isolated using standard molecular biology and protein chemistry techniques as described herein.

Immunoassays in the competitive binding format can be used for the crossreactivity determinations. For example, the 30 protein of SEQ ID NO: 2, 25, 5, 28, or 31 can be immobilized to a solid support. Proteins added to the assay compete with the binding of the antisera to the immobilized antigen. The ability of the above proteins to compete with the binding of the antisera to the immobilized protein is compared to the proteins, 35 e.g., of IL-2, IL-7, IL-9, or EPO receptor subunit. The percent crossreactivity for the above proteins is calculated, using standard calculations. Those antisera with less than 10%

crossreactivity with each of the proteins listed above are selected and pooled. The cross-reacting antibodies are then removed from the pooled antisera by immunoabsorption with the above-listed proteins.

5 The immunoabsorbed and pooled antisera are then used in a competitive binding immunoassay as described above to compare a second protein to the immunogen protein (e.g., DCRS3 like protein of SEQ ID NO: 2). In order to make this comparison, the two proteins are each assayed at a wide range of concentrations
10 and the amount of each protein required to inhibit 50% of the binding of the antisera to the immobilized protein is determined. If the amount of the second protein required is less than twice the amount of the protein of the selected protein or proteins that is required, then the second protein is
15 said to specifically bind to an antibody generated to the immunogen.

It is understood that these cytokine receptor proteins are members of a family of homologous proteins that comprise at least 6 so far identified genes. For a particular gene product,
20 such as a DCRS3 or DCRS4, the term refers not only to the amino acid sequences disclosed herein, but also to other proteins that are allelic, non-allelic, or species variants. It is also understood that the terms include nonnatural mutations introduced by deliberate mutation using conventional recombinant
25 technology such as single site mutation, or by excising short sections of DNA encoding the respective proteins, or by substituting new amino acids, or adding new amino acids. Such minor alterations typically will substantially maintain the immunoidentity of the original molecule and/or its biological
30 activity. Thus, these alterations include proteins that are specifically immunoreactive with a designated naturally occurring DCRS3 or DCRS4 protein. The biological properties of the altered proteins can be determined by expressing the protein in an appropriate cell line and measuring the appropriate
35 effect, e.g., upon transfected lymphocytes. Particular protein modifications considered minor would include conservative substitution of amino acids with similar chemical properties, as

described above for the cytokine receptor family as a whole. By aligning a protein optimally with the protein of the cytokine receptors and by using the conventional immunoassays described herein to determine immunoidentity, one can determine the 5 protein compositions of the invention.

VII. Kits and quantitation

Both naturally occurring and recombinant forms of the cytokine receptor like molecules of this invention are 10 particularly useful in kits and assay methods. For example, these methods would also be applied to screening for binding activity, e.g., ligands for these proteins. Several methods of automating assays have been developed in recent years so as to permit screening of tens of thousands of compounds per year. 15 See, e.g., a BIOMEK automated workstation, Beckman Instruments, Palo Alto, California, and Fodor, et al. (1991) Science 251:767-773, which is incorporated herein by reference. The latter describes means for testing binding by a plurality of defined polymers synthesized on a solid substrate. The development of 20 suitable assays to screen for a ligand or agonist/antagonist homologous proteins can be greatly facilitated by the availability of large amounts of purified, soluble cytokine receptors in an active state such as is provided by this invention.

25 Purified DCRS3 or DCRS4 can be coated directly onto plates for use in the aforementioned ligand screening techniques. However, non-neutralizing antibodies to these proteins can be used as capture antibodies to immobilize the respective receptor on the solid phase, useful, e.g., in diagnostic uses.

30 This invention also contemplates use of DCRS3 or DCRS4, fragments thereof, peptides, and their fusion products in a variety of diagnostic kits and methods for detecting the presence of the protein or its ligand. Alternatively, or additionally, antibodies against the molecules may be 35 incorporated into the kits and methods. Typically the kit will have a compartment containing either a DCRS3 or DCRS4 peptide or gene segment or a reagent which recognizes one or the other.

Typically, recognition reagents, in the case of peptide, would be a receptor or antibody, or in the case of a gene segment, would usually be a hybridization probe.

A preferred kit for determining the concentration of, e.g., 5 DCRS3 in a sample would typically comprise a labeled compound, e.g., ligand or antibody, having known binding affinity for DCRS3, a source of DCRS3 (naturally occurring or recombinant) as a positive control, and a means for separating the bound from free labeled compound, for example a solid phase for 10 immobilizing DCRS3 in the test sample. Compartments containing reagents, and instructions, will normally be provided. Appropriate nucleic acid or protein containing kits are also provided.

15 Antibodies, including antigen binding fragments, specific for mammalian DCRS3 or a peptide fragment, or receptor fragments are useful in diagnostic applications to detect the presence of elevated levels of ligand and/or its fragments. Diagnostic assays may be homogeneous (without a separation step between free reagent and antibody-antigen complex) or heterogeneous 20 (with a separation step). Various commercial assays exist, such as radioimmunoassay (RIA), enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), enzyme immunoassay (EIA), enzyme-multiplied immunoassay technique (EMIT), substrate-labeled fluorescent immunoassay (SLFIA) and the like. For example, unlabeled antibodies can be 25 employed by using a second antibody which is labeled and which recognizes the antibody to a cytokine receptor or to a particular fragment thereof. These assays have also been extensively discussed in the literature. See, e.g., Harlow and Lane (1988) Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual, CSH., and Coligan 30 (ed. 1991 and periodic supplements) Current Protocols In Immunology Greene/Wiley, New York.

Anti-idiotypic antibodies may have similar use to serve as agonists or antagonists of cytokine receptors. These should be useful as therapeutic reagents under appropriate circumstances.

35 Frequently, the reagents for diagnostic assays are supplied in kits, so as to optimize the sensitivity of the assay. For the subject invention, depending upon the nature of the assay,

the protocol, and the label, either labeled or unlabeled antibody, or labeled ligand is provided. This is usually in conjunction with other additives, such as buffers, stabilizers, materials necessary for signal production such as substrates for 5 enzymes, and the like. Preferably, the kit will also contain instructions for proper use and disposal of the contents after use. Typically the kit has compartments for each useful reagent, and will contain instructions for proper use and disposal of reagents. Desirably, the reagents are provided as a 10 dry lyophilized powder, where the reagents may be reconstituted in an aqueous medium having appropriate concentrations for performing the assay.

The aforementioned constituents of the diagnostic assays may be used without modification or may be modified in a variety 15 of ways. For example, labeling may be achieved by covalently or non-covalently joining a moiety which directly or indirectly provides a detectable signal. In many of these assays, a test compound, cytokine receptor, or antibodies thereto can be labeled either directly or indirectly. Possibilities for direct 20 labeling include label groups: radiolabels such as ^{125}I , enzymes (U.S. Pat. No. 3,645,090) such as peroxidase and alkaline phosphatase, and fluorescent labels (U.S. Pat. No. 3,940,475) capable of monitoring the change in fluorescence intensity, wavelength shift, or fluorescence polarization. Both of the 25 patents are incorporated herein by reference. Possibilities for indirect labeling include biotinylation of one constituent followed by binding to avidin coupled to one of the above label groups.

There are also numerous methods of separating the bound 30 from the free ligand, or alternatively the bound from the free test compound. The cytokine receptor can be immobilized on various matrixes followed by washing. Suitable matrices include plastic such as an ELISA plate, filters, and beads. Methods of immobilizing the receptor to a matrix include, without 35 limitation, direct adhesion to plastic, use of a capture antibody, chemical coupling, and biotin-avidin. The last step in this approach involves the precipitation of antibody/antigen

complex by any of several methods including those utilizing, e.g., an organic solvent such as polyethylene glycol or a salt such as ammonium sulfate. Other suitable separation techniques include, without limitation, the fluorescein antibody 5 magnetizable particle method described in Rattle, et al. (1984) Clin. Chem. 30:1457-1461, and the double antibody magnetic particle separation as described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,659,678, each of which is incorporated herein by reference.

10 The methods for linking protein or fragments to various labels have been extensively reported in the literature and do not require detailed discussion here. Many of the techniques involve the use of activated carboxyl groups either through the use of carbodiimide or active esters to form peptide bonds, the formation of thioethers by reaction of a mercapto group with an 15 activated halogen such as chloroacetyl, or an activated olefin such as maleimide, for linkage, or the like. Fusion proteins will also find use in these applications.

Another diagnostic aspect of this invention involves use of 20 oligonucleotide or polynucleotide sequences taken from the sequence of an cytokine receptor. These sequences can be used as probes for detecting levels of the respective cytokine receptor in patients suspected of having an immunological disorder. The preparation of both RNA and DNA nucleotide sequences, the labeling of the sequences, and the preferred size 25 of the sequences has received ample description and discussion in the literature. Normally an oligonucleotide probe should have at least about 14 nucleotides, usually at least about 18 nucleotides, and the polynucleotide probes may be up to several kilobases. Various labels may be employed, most commonly 30 radionuclides, particularly ^{32}P . However, other techniques may also be employed, such as using biotin modified nucleotides for introduction into a polynucleotide. The biotin then serves as the site for binding to avidin or antibodies, which may be labeled with a wide variety of labels, such as radionuclides, 35 fluorescers, enzymes, or the like. Alternatively, antibodies may be employed which can recognize specific duplexes, including DNA duplexes, RNA duplexes, DNA-RNA hybrid duplexes, or

DNA-protein duplexes. The antibodies in turn may be labeled and the assay carried out where the duplex is bound to a surface, so that upon the formation of duplex on the surface, the presence of antibody bound to the duplex can be detected. The use of 5 probes to the novel anti-sense RNA may be carried out in conventional techniques such as nucleic acid hybridization, plus and minus screening, recombinational probing, hybrid released translation (HRT), and hybrid arrested translation (HART). This 10 also includes amplification techniques such as polymerase chain reaction (PCR).

Diagnostic kits which also test for the qualitative or quantitative presence of other markers are also contemplated. Diagnosis or prognosis may depend on the combination of multiple 15 indications used as markers. Thus, kits may test for combinations of markers. See, e.g., Viallet, et al. (1989) Progress in Growth Factor Res. 1:89-97.

VIII. Therapeutic Utility

This invention provides reagents with significant 20 therapeutic value. See, e.g., Levitzki (1996) Curr. Opin. Cell Biol. 8:239-244. The cytokine receptors (naturally occurring or recombinant), fragments thereof, mutein receptors, and 25 antibodies, along with compounds identified as having binding affinity to the receptors or antibodies, should be useful in the treatment of conditions exhibiting abnormal expression of the receptors of their ligands. Such abnormality will typically be manifested by immunological disorders. Additionally, this 30 invention should provide therapeutic value in various diseases or disorders associated with abnormal expression or abnormal triggering of response to the ligand. For example, the IL-1 ligands have been suggested to be involved in morphologic development, e.g., dorso-ventral polarity determination, and immune responses, particularly the primitive innate responses. See, e.g., Sun, et al. (1991) Eur. J. Biochem. 196:247-254; and 35 Hultmark (1994) Nature 367:116-117.

Recombinant cytokine receptors, muteins, agonist or antagonist antibodies thereto, or antibodies can be purified and

then administered to a patient. These reagents can be combined for therapeutic use with additional active ingredients, e.g., in conventional pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or diluents, along with physiologically innocuous stabilizers and excipients.

5 These combinations can be sterile, e.g., filtered, and placed into dosage forms as by lyophilization in dosage vials or storage in stabilized aqueous preparations. This invention also contemplates use of antibodies or binding fragments thereof which are not complement binding.

10 Ligand screening using cytokine receptor or fragments thereof can be performed to identify molecules having binding affinity to the receptors. Subsequent biological assays can then be utilized to determine if a putative ligand can provide competitive binding, which can block intrinsic stimulating 15 activity. Receptor fragments can be used as a blocker or antagonist in that it blocks the activity of ligand. Likewise, a compound having intrinsic stimulating activity can activate the receptor and is thus an agonist in that it simulates the activity of ligand, e.g., inducing signaling. This invention 20 further contemplates the therapeutic use of antibodies to cytokine receptors as antagonists.

The quantities of reagents necessary for effective therapy will depend upon many different factors, including means of administration, target site, reagent physiological life, 25 pharmacological life, physiological state of the patient, and other medicants administered. Thus, treatment dosages should be titrated to optimize safety and efficacy. Typically, dosages used in vitro may provide useful guidance in the amounts useful for in situ administration of these reagents. Animal testing of 30 effective doses for treatment of particular disorders will provide further predictive indication of human dosage. Various considerations are described, e.g., in Gilman, et al. (eds. 1990) Goodman and Gilman's: The Pharmacological Bases of Therapeutics, 8th Ed., Pergamon Press; and Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences, 17th ed. (1990), Mack Publishing Co., Easton, Penn.; each of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference. Methods for administration are discussed therein and

below, e.g., for oral, intravenous, intraperitoneal, or intramuscular administration, transdermal diffusion, and others. Pharmaceutically acceptable carriers will include water, saline, buffers, and other compounds described, e.g., in the Merck Index, Merck & Co., Rahway, New Jersey. Because of the likely high affinity binding, or turnover numbers, between a putative ligand and its receptors, low dosages of these reagents would be initially expected to be effective. And the signaling pathway suggests extremely low amounts of ligand may have effect. Thus, dosage ranges would ordinarily be expected to be in amounts lower than 1 mM concentrations, typically less than about 10 μ M concentrations, usually less than about 100 nM, preferably less than about 10 pM (picomolar), and most preferably less than about 1 fM (femtomolar), with an appropriate carrier. Slow release formulations, or slow release apparatus will often be utilized for continuous administration.

Cytokine receptors, fragments thereof, and antibodies or its fragments, antagonists, and agonists, may be administered directly to the host to be treated or, depending on the size of the compounds, it may be desirable to conjugate them to carrier proteins such as ovalbumin or serum albumin prior to their administration. Therapeutic formulations may be administered in many conventional dosage formulations. While it is possible for the active ingredient to be administered alone, it is preferable to present it as a pharmaceutical formulation. Formulations comprise at least one active ingredient, as defined above, together with one or more acceptable carriers thereof. Each carrier must be both pharmaceutically and physiologically acceptable in the sense of being compatible with the other ingredients and not injurious to the patient. Formulations include those suitable for oral, rectal, nasal, or parenteral (including subcutaneous, intramuscular, intravenous and intradermal) administration. The formulations may conveniently be presented in unit dosage form and may be prepared by methods well known in the art of pharmacy. See, e.g., Gilman, et al. (eds. 1990) Goodman and Gilman's: The Pharmacological Bases of Therapeutics, 8th Ed., Pergamon Press; and Remington's

Pharmaceutical Sciences, 17th ed. (1990), Mack Publishing Co., Easton, Penn.; Avis, et al. (eds. 1993) Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms: Parenteral Medications Dekker, NY; Lieberman, et al. (eds. 1990) Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms: Tablets Dekker, NY; and 5 Lieberman, et al. (eds. 1990) Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms: Disperse Systems Dekker, NY. The therapy of this invention may be combined with or used in association with other therapeutic agents, particularly agonists or antagonists of other cytokine receptor family members.

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IX. Screening

Drug screening using DCRS3 or DCRS4 or fragments thereof can be performed to identify compounds having binding affinity to the receptor subunit, including isolation of associated 15 components. Subsequent biological assays can then be utilized to determine if the compound has intrinsic stimulating activity and is therefore a blocker or antagonist in that it blocks the activity of the ligand. Likewise, a compound having intrinsic stimulating activity can activate the receptor and is thus an 20 agonist in that it simulates the activity of a cytokine ligand. This invention further contemplates the therapeutic use of antibodies to the receptor as cytokine agonists or antagonists.

Similarly, complexes comprising multiple proteins may be used to screen for ligands or reagents capable of recognizing 25 the complex. Most cytokine receptors comprise at least two subunits, which may be the same, or distinct. Alternatively, the transmembrane receptor may bind to a complex comprising a cytokine-like ligand associated with another soluble protein serving, e.g., as a second receptor subunit.

30 One method of drug screening utilizes eukaryotic or prokaryotic host cells which are stably transformed with recombinant DNA molecules expressing, e.g., a DCRS3 in combination with another cytokine receptor subunit. Cells may be isolated which express a receptor in isolation from other 35 functional receptors. Such cells, either in viable or fixed form, can be used for standard antibody/antigen or ligand/receptor binding assays. See also, Parce, et al. (1989) Science 246:243-247; and Owicki, et al. (1990) Proc. Nat'l Acad.

Sci. USA 87:4007-4011, which describe sensitive methods to detect cellular responses. Competitive assays are particularly useful, where the cells (source of putative ligand) are contacted and incubated with a labeled receptor or antibody having known binding affinity to the ligand, such as ^{125}I -antibody, and a test sample whose binding affinity to the binding composition is being measured. The bound and free labeled binding compositions are then separated to assess the degree of ligand binding. The amount of test compound bound is inversely proportional to the amount of labeled receptor binding to the known source. Many techniques can be used to separate bound from free ligand to assess the degree of ligand binding. This separation step could typically involve a procedure such as adhesion to filters followed by washing, adhesion to plastic followed by washing, or centrifugation of the cell membranes. Viable cells could also be used to screen for the effects of drugs on cytokine mediated functions, e.g., second messenger levels, i.e., Ca^{++} ; cell proliferation; inositol phosphate pool changes; and others. Some detection methods allow for elimination of a separation step, e.g., a proximity sensitive detection system. Calcium sensitive dyes will be useful for detecting Ca^{++} levels, with a fluorimeter or a fluorescence cell sorting apparatus.

25 X. Ligands

The descriptions of DCRS3 or DCRS4 herein provide means to identify ligands, as described above. Such ligand should bind specifically to the respective receptor with reasonably high affinity. Various constructs are made available which allow either labeling of the receptor to detect its ligand. For example, directly labeling cytokine receptor, fusing onto it markers for secondary labeling, e.g., FLAG or other epitope tags, etc., will allow detection of receptor. This can be histological, as an affinity method for biochemical purification, or labeling or selection in an expression cloning approach. A two-hybrid selection system may also be applied making appropriate constructs with the available cytokine

receptor sequences. See, e.g., Fields and Song (1989) Nature 340:245-246.

The broad scope of this invention is best understood with reference to the following examples, which are not intended to 5 limit the inventions to the specific embodiments.

EXAMPLES

I. General Methods

10 Some of the standard methods are described or referenced, e.g., in Maniatis, et al. (1982) Molecular Cloning, A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor Press; Sambrook, et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, (2d ed.), vols. 1-3, CSH Press, NY; or Ausubel, et al. (1987 and 15 Supplements) Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, Greene/Wiley, New York. Methods for protein purification include such methods as ammonium sulfate precipitation, column chromatography, electrophoresis, centrifugation, crystallization, and others. See, e.g., Ausubel, et al. (1987 20 and periodic supplements); Coligan, et al. (ed. 1996) and periodic supplements, Current Protocols In Protein Science Greene/Wiley, New York; Deutscher (1990) "Guide to Protein Purification" in Methods in Enzymology, vol. 182, and other volumes in this series; and manufacturer's literature on use of 25 protein purification products, e.g., Pharmacia, Piscataway, N.J., or Bio-Rad, Richmond, CA. Combination with recombinant techniques allow fusion to appropriate segments, e.g., to a FLAG sequence or an equivalent which can be fused via a protease-removable sequence. See, e.g., Hochuli (1990) "Purification of 30 Recombinant Proteins with Metal Chelate Absorbent" in Setlow (ed.) Genetic Engineering, Principle and Methods 12:87-98, Plenum Press, N.Y.; and Crowe, et al. (1992) QIAexpress: The High Level Expression & Protein Purification System QUIAGEN, Inc., Chatsworth, CA.

35 Computer sequence analysis is performed, e.g., using available software programs, including those from the GCG (U. Wisconsin) and GenBank sources. Public sequence databases were also used, e.g., from GenBank and others.

Many techniques applicable to IL-10 receptors may be applied to DCRS3 or DCRS4, as described, e.g., in USSN 08/110,683 (IL-10 receptor), which is incorporated herein by reference.

II. Computational Analysis

Human sequences related to cytokine receptors were identified from genomic sequence database using, e.g., the BLAST 5 server (Altschul, et al. (1994) Nature Genet. 6:119-129). Standard analysis programs may be used to evaluate structure, e.g., PHD (Rost and Sander (1994) Proteins 19:55-72) and DSC (King and Sternberg (1996) Protein Sci. 5:2298-2310). Standard comparison software includes, e.g., Altschul, et al. (1990) J. 10 Mol. Biol. 215:403-10; Waterman (1995) Introduction to Computational Biology: Maps, Sequences, and Genomes Chapman & Hall; Lander and Waterman (eds. 1995) Calculating the Secrets of Life: Applications of the Mathematical Sciences in Molecular Biology National Academy Press; and Speed and Waterman (eds. 15 1996) Genetic Mapping and DNA Sequencing (IMA Volumes in Mathematics and Its Applications, Vol 81) Springer Verlag.

III. Cloning of full-length DCRS3 or DCRS4 cDNAs; Chromosomal localization

20 PCR primers derived from DCRS3 or DCRS4 sequence are used to probe a human cDNA library. Sequences may be derived, e.g., from Table 1 or 3, preferably those adjacent the ends of sequences. Full length cDNAs for primate, rodent, or other species are cloned, e.g., by DNA hybridization screening of 25 λ gt10 phage. PCR reactions are conducted using *T. aquaticus* Taqplus DNA polymerase (Stratagene) under appropriate conditions.

For experimental confirmation of localization, chromosome spreads are prepared. In situ hybridization is performed on 30 chromosome preparations obtained from phytohemagglutinin-stimulated human lymphocytes cultured for 72 h. 5-bromodeoxyuridine was added for the final seven hours of culture (60 μ g/ml of medium), to ensure a posthybridization chromosomal banding of good quality.

35 A PCR fragment, amplified with the help of primers, is cloned into an appropriate vector. The vector is labeled by nick-translation with 3 H. The radiolabeled probe is hybridized to metaphase spreads at final concentration of 200 ng/ml of

hybridization solution as described in Mattei, et al. (1985) Hum. Genet. 69:327-331.

After coating with nuclear track emulsion (KODAK NTB₂), slides are exposed. To avoid any slipping of silver grains 5 during the banding procedure, chromosome spreads are first stained with buffered Giemsa solution and metaphase photographed. R-banding is then performed by the fluorochrome-photolysis-Giemsa (FPG) method and metaphases rephotographed before analysis.

10 Similar appropriate methods are used for other species.

IV. Localization of DCRS mRNA

Human multiple tissue (Cat# 1, 2) and cancer cell line blots (Cat# 7757-1), containing approximately 2 µg of poly(A)⁺ 15 RNA per lane, are purchased from Clontech (Palo Alto, CA). Probes are radiolabeled with [α -³²P] dATP, e.g., using the Amersham Rediprime random primer labeling kit (RPN1633). Prehybridization and hybridizations are performed, e.g., at 65° C in 0.5 M Na₂HPO₄, 7% SDS, 0.5 M EDTA (pH 8.0). High 20 stringency washes are conducted, e.g., at 65° C with two initial washes in 2 x SSC, 0.1% SDS for 40 min followed by a subsequent wash in 0.1 x SSC, 0.1% SDS for 20 min. Membranes are then exposed at -70° C to X-Ray film (Kodak) in the presence of intensifying screens. More detailed studies by cDNA library 25 Southernns are performed with selected appropriate human DCRS3 clones to examine their expression in hemopoietic or other cell subsets.

Alternatively, two appropriate primers are selected from Tables 1 or 3. RT-PCR is used on an appropriate mRNA sample 30 selected for the presence of message to produce a cDNA, e.g., a sample which expresses the gene.

Full length clones may be isolated by hybridization of cDNA libraries from appropriate tissues pre-selected by PCR signal. Northern blots can be performed.

35 Message for genes encoding DCRS3 or DCRS4 will be assayed by appropriate technology, e.g., PCR, immunoassay, hybridization, or otherwise. Tissue and organ cDNA preparations

are available, e.g., from Clontech, Mountain View, CA. Identification of sources of natural expression are useful, as described. And the identification of functional receptor subunit pairings will allow for prediction of what cells express 5 the combination of receptor subunits which will result in a physiological responsiveness to each of the cytokine ligands.

For mouse distribution, e.g., Southern Analysis can be performed: DNA (5 µg) from a primary amplified cDNA library was digested with appropriate restriction enzymes to release the 10 inserts, run on a 1% agarose gel and transferred to a nylon membrane (Schleicher and Schuell, Keene, NH).

Samples for mouse mRNA isolation may include: resting mouse fibroblastic L cell line (C200); Braf:ER (Braf fusion to estrogen receptor) transfected cells, control (C201); T cells, 15 TH1 polarized (Mell14 bright, CD4+ cells from spleen, polarized for 7 days with IFN-γ and anti IL-4; T200); T cells, TH2 polarized (Mell14 bright, CD4+ cells from spleen, polarized for 7 days with IL-4 and anti-IFN-γ; T201); T cells, highly TH1 polarized (see Openshaw, et al. (1995) J. Exp. Med. 182:1357- 20 1367; activated with anti-CD3 for 2, 6, 16 h pooled; T202); T cells, highly TH2 polarized (see Openshaw, et al. (1995) J. Exp. Med. 182:1357-1367; activated with anti-CD3 for 2, 6, 16 h pooled; T203); CD44- CD25+ pre T cells, sorted from thymus 25 (T204); TH1 T cell clone D1.1, resting for 3 weeks after last stimulation with antigen (T205); TH1 T cell clone D1.1, 10 µg/ml ConA stimulated 15 h (T206); TH2 T cell clone CDC35, resting for 3 weeks after last stimulation with antigen (T207); TH2 T cell clone CDC35, 10 µg/ml ConA stimulated 15 h (T208); Mell14+ naive T cells from spleen, resting (T209); Mell14+ T cells, polarized 30 to Th1 with IFN-γ/IL-12/anti-IL-4 for 6, 12, 24 h pooled (T210); Mell14+ T cells, polarized to Th2 with IL-4/anti-IFN-γ for 6, 13, 24 h pooled (T211); unstimulated mature B cell leukemia cell line A20 (B200); unstimulated B cell line CH12 (B201); unstimulated large B cells from spleen (B202); B cells from 35 total spleen, LPS activated (B203); metrizamide enriched dendritic cells from spleen, resting (D200); dendritic cells from bone marrow, resting (D201); monocyte cell line RAW 264.7

activated with LPS 4 h (M200); bone-marrow macrophages derived with GM and M-CSF (M201); macrophage cell line J774, resting (M202); macrophage cell line J774 + LPS + anti-IL-10 at 0.5, 1, 3, 6, 12 h pooled (M203); macrophage cell line J774 + LPS + IL-10 at 0.5, 1, 3, 5, 12 h pooled (M204); aerosol challenged mouse lung tissue, Th2 primers, aerosol OVA challenge 7, 14, 23 h pooled (see Garlisi, et al. (1995) Clinical Immunology and Immunopathology 75:75-83; X206); Nippostrongulus-infected lung tissue (see Coffman, et al. (1989) Science 245:308-310; X200); 5 total adult lung, normal (O200); total lung, rag-1 (see Schwarz, et al. (1993) Immunodeficiency 4:249-252; O205); IL-10 K.O. spleen (see Kuhn, et al. (1991) Cell 75:263-274; X201); total adult spleen, normal (O201); total spleen, rag-1 (O207); IL-10 K.O. Peyer's patches (O202); total Peyer's patches, normal 10 (O210); IL-10 K.O. mesenteric lymph nodes (X203); total mesenteric lymph nodes, normal (O211); IL-10 K.O. colon (X203); total colon, normal (O212); NOD mouse pancreas (see Makino, et al. (1980) Jikken Dobutsu 29:1-13; X205); total thymus, rag-1 15 (O208); total kidney, rag-1 (O209); total heart, rag-1 (O202); 20 total brain, rag-1 (O203); total testes, rag-1 (O204); total liver, rag-1 (O206); rat normal joint tissue (O300); and rat arthritic joint tissue (X300).

Samples for human mRNA isolation may include: peripheral blood mononuclear cells (monocytes, T cells, NK cells, 25 granulocytes, B cells), resting (T100); peripheral blood mononuclear cells, activated with anti-CD3 for 2, 6, 12 h pooled (T101); T cell, TH0 clone Mot 72, resting (T102); T cell, TH0 clone Mot 72, activated with anti-CD28 and anti-CD3 for 3, 6, 12 h pooled (T103); T cell, TH0 clone Mot 72, anergic treated with 30 specific peptide for 2, 7, 12 h pooled (T104); T cell, TH1 clone HY06, resting (T107); T cell, TH1 clone HY06, activated with anti-CD28 and anti-CD3 for 3, 6, 12 h pooled (T108); T cell, TH1 clone HY06, anergic treated with specific peptide for 2, 6, 12 h pooled (T109); T cell, TH2 clone HY935, resting (T110); T cell, 35 TH2 clone HY935, activated with anti-CD28 and anti-CD3 for 2, 7, 12 h pooled (T111); T cells CD4+CD45RO- T cells polarized 27 days in anti-CD28, IL-4, and anti IFN- γ , TH2 polarized, activated

with anti-CD3 and anti-CD28 4 h (T116); T cell tumor lines Jurkat and Hut78, resting (T117); T cell clones, pooled AD130.2, Tc783.12, Tc783.13, Tc783.58, Tc782.69, resting (T118); T cell random $\gamma\delta$ T cell clones, resting (T119); Splenocytes, resting 5 (B100); Splenocytes, activated with anti-CD40 and IL-4 (B101); B cell EBV lines pooled WT49, RSB, JY, CVIR, 721.221, RM3, HSY, resting (B102); B cell line JY, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (B103); NK 20 clones pooled, resting (K100); NK 20 clones pooled, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 6 h 10 (K101); NKL clone, derived from peripheral blood of LGL leukemia patient, IL-2 treated (K106); NK cytotoxic clone 640-A30-1, resting (K107); hematopoietic precursor line TF1, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (C100); U937 premonocytic line, resting (M100); U937 premonocytic line, activated with PMA 15 and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (M101); elutriated monocytes, activated with LPS, IFN γ , anti-IL-10 for 1, 2, 6, 12, 24 h pooled (M102); elutriated monocytes, activated with LPS, IFN γ , IL-10 for 1, 2, 6, 12, 24 h pooled (M103); elutriated monocytes, activated with LPS, IFN γ , anti-IL-10 for 4, 16 h pooled (M106); elutriated 20 monocytes, activated with LPS, IFN γ , IL-10 for 4, 16 h pooled (M107); elutriated monocytes, activated LPS for 1 h (M108); elutriated monocytes, activated LPS for 6 h (M109); DC 70% CD1a+, from CD34+ GM-CSF, TNF α 12 days, resting (D101); DC 70% CD1a+, from CD34+ GM-CSF, TNF α 12 days, activated with PMA and 25 ionomycin for 1 hr (D102); DC 70% CD1a+, from CD34+ GM-CSF, TNF α 12 days, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 6 hr (D103); DC 95% CD1a+, from CD34+ GM-CSF, TNF α 12 days FACS sorted, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (D104); DC 95% CD14+, ex CD34+ GM-CSF, TNF α 12 days FACS sorted, activated 30 with PMA and ionomycin 1, 6 hr pooled (D105); DC CD1a+ CD86+, from CD34+ GM-CSF, TNF α 12 days FACS sorted, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (D106); DC from monocytes GM-CSF, IL-4 5 days, resting (D107); DC from monocytes GM-CSF, IL-4 5 days, resting (D108); DC from monocytes GM-CSF, IL-4 5 days, activated LPS 4, 16 h pooled (D109); DC from monocytes GM-CSF, IL-4 5 days, activated TNF α , monocyte supe for 4, 16 h pooled 35 (D110); leiomyoma L11 benign tumor (X101); normal myometrium M5

(O115); malignant leiomyosarcoma GS1 (X103); lung fibroblast sarcoma line MRC5, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (C101); kidney epithelial carcinoma cell line CHA, activated with PMA and ionomycin for 1, 6 h pooled (C102); 5 kidney fetal 28 wk male (O100); lung fetal 28 wk male (O101); liver fetal 28 wk male (O102); heart fetal 28 wk male (O103); brain fetal 28 wk male (O104); gallbladder fetal 28 wk male (O106); small intestine fetal 28 wk male (O107); adipose tissue fetal 28 wk male (O108); ovary fetal 25 wk female (O109); uterus 10 fetal 25 wk female (O110); testes fetal 28 wk male (O111); spleen fetal 28 wk male (O112); adult placenta 28 wk (O113); and tonsil inflamed, from 12 year old (X100).

Similar samples may be isolated in other species for evaluation.

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V. Cloning of species counterparts of DCRS3 or DCRS4

Various strategies are used to obtain species counterparts of DCRS3 or DCRS4, preferably from other primates or rodents. One method is by cross hybridization using closely related 20 species DNA probes. It may be useful to go into evolutionarily similar species as intermediate steps. Another method is by using specific PCR primers based on the identification of blocks of similarity or difference between genes, e.g., areas of highly conserved or nonconserved polypeptide or nucleotide sequence. 25 Antibody based screening methods are also available, e.g., in expression cloning.

VI. Production of mammalian DCRS3 or DCRS4 protein

An appropriate, e.g., GST, fusion construct is engineered 30 for expression, e.g., in *E. coli*. For example, a mouse IGIF pGex plasmid is constructed and transformed into *E. coli*. Freshly transformed cells are grown, e.g., in LB medium containing 50 µg/ml ampicillin and induced with IPTG (Sigma, St. Louis, MO). After overnight induction, the bacteria are 35 harvested and the pellets containing, e.g., DCRS3, protein are isolated. The pellets are homogenized, e.g., in TE buffer (50 mM Tris-base pH 8.0, 10 mM EDTA and 2 mM pefabloc) in 2 liters.

This material is passed through a microfluidizer (Microfluidics, Newton, MA) three times. The fluidized supernatant is spun down on a Sorvall GS-3 rotor for 1 h at 13,000 rpm. The resulting supernatant containing the cytokine receptor protein is filtered 5 and passed over a glutathione-SEPHAROSE column equilibrated in 50 mM Tris-base pH 8.0. The fractions containing the DCRS3-GST fusion protein are pooled and cleaved, e.g., with thrombin (Enzyme Research Laboratories, Inc., South Bend, IN). The cleaved pool is then passed over a Q-SEPHAROSE column 10 equilibrated in 50 mM Tris-base. Fractions containing DCRS3 are pooled and diluted in cold distilled H₂O, to lower the conductivity, and passed back over a fresh Q-Sepharose column, alone or in succession with an immunoaffinity antibody column. Fractions containing DCRS3 protein are pooled, aliquoted, and 15 stored in the -70° C freezer.

Comparison of the CD spectrum with cytokine receptor protein may suggest that the protein is correctly folded. See Hazuda, et al. (1969) J. Biol. Chem. 264:1689-1693.

20 VII. Preparation of antibodies specific for DCRS3 or DCRS4
Inbred Balb/c mice are immunized intraperitoneally with recombinant forms of the protein, e.g., purified DCRS3 or stable transfected NIH-3T3 cells. Animals are boosted at appropriate time points with protein, with or without additional adjuvant, 25 to further stimulate antibody production. Serum is collected, or hybridomas produced with harvested spleens.

Alternatively, Balb/c mice are immunized with cells transformed with the gene or fragments thereof, either endogenous or exogenous cells, or with isolated membranes 30 enriched for expression of the antigen. Serum is collected at the appropriate time, typically after numerous further administrations. Various gene therapy techniques may be useful, e.g., in producing protein in situ, for generating an immune response. Serum or antibody preparations may be cross-absorbed 35 or immunoselected to prepare substantially purified antibodies of defined specificity and high affinity.

Monoclonal antibodies may be made. For example, splenocytes are fused with an appropriate fusion partner and hybridomas are selected in growth medium by standard procedures. Hybridoma supernatants are screened for the presence of 5 antibodies which bind to DCRS3, e.g., by ELISA or other assay. Antibodies which specifically recognize specific DCRS3 embodiments may also be selected or prepared.

In another method, synthetic peptides or purified protein are presented to an immune system to generate monoclonal or 10 polyclonal antibodies. See, e.g., Coligan (ed. 1991) Current Protocols in Immunology Wiley/Greene; and Harlow and Lane (1989) Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual Cold Spring Harbor Press. In appropriate situations, the binding reagent is either labeled as described above, e.g., fluorescence or otherwise, or immobilized 15 to a substrate for panning methods. Nucleic acids may also be introduced into cells in an animal to produce the antigen, which serves to elicit an immune response. See, e.g., Wang, et al. (1993) Proc. Nat'l. Acad. Sci. 90:4156-4160; Barry, et al. (1994) BioTechniques 16:616-619; and Xiang, et al. (1995) 20 Immunity 2: 129-135.

VIII. Production of fusion proteins with DCRS

Various fusion constructs are made with DCRS. A portion of the appropriate gene is fused to an epitope tag, e.g., a FLAG 25 tag, or to a two hybrid system construct. See, e.g., Fields and Song (1989) Nature 340:245-246.

The epitope tag may be used in an expression cloning procedure with detection with anti-FLAG antibodies to detect a binding partner, e.g., ligand for the respective cytokine 30 receptor. The two hybrid system may also be used to isolate proteins which specifically bind to DCRS.

IX. Structure activity relationship

Information on the criticality of particular residues is 35 determined using standard procedures and analysis. Standard mutagenesis analysis is performed, e.g., by generating many different variants at determined positions, e.g., at the

positions identified above, and evaluating biological activities of the variants. This may be performed to the extent of determining positions which modify activity, or to focus on specific positions to determine the residues which can be 5 substituted to either retain, block, or modulate biological activity.

Alternatively, analysis of natural variants can indicate what positions tolerate natural mutations. This may result from populational analysis of variation among individuals, or across 10 strains or species. Samples from selected individuals are analyzed, e.g., by PCR analysis and sequencing. This allows evaluation of population polymorphisms.

X. Isolation of a ligand for DCRS

15 A cytokine receptor can be used as a specific binding reagent to identify its binding partner, by taking advantage of its specificity of binding, much like an antibody would be used. The binding receptor may be a heterodimer of receptor subunits; or may involve, e.g., a complex of the DCRS with another 20 subunit. A binding reagent is either labeled as described above, e.g., fluorescence or otherwise, or immobilized to a substrate for panning methods.

The binding composition is used to screen an expression library made from a cell line which expresses a binding partner, 25 i.e., ligand, preferably membrane associated. Standard staining techniques are used to detect or sort surface expressed ligand, or surface expressing transformed cells are screened by panning. Screening of intracellular expression is performed by various staining or immunofluorescence procedures. See also McMahan, et 30 al. (1991) EMBO J. 10:2821-2832.

For example, on day 0, precoat 2-chamber permanox slides with 1 ml per chamber of fibronectin, 10 ng/ml in PBS, for 30 min at room temperature. Rinse once with PBS. Then plate COS cells at $2-3 \times 10^5$ cells per chamber in 1.5 ml of growth media. 35 Incubate overnight at 37°C.

On day 1 for each sample, prepare 0.5 ml of a solution of 66 µg/ml DEAE-dextran, 66 µM chloroquine, and 4 µg DNA in serum

free DME. For each set, a positive control is prepared, e.g., of DCRS-FLAG cDNA at 1 and 1/200 dilution, and a negative mock. Rinse cells with serum free DME. Add the DNA solution and incubate 5 hr at 37°C. Remove the medium and add 0.5 ml 10% DMSO in DME for 2.5 min. Remove and wash once with DME. Add 1.5 ml growth medium and incubate overnight.

On day 2, change the medium. On days 3 or 4, the cells are fixed and stained. Rinse the cells twice with Hank's Buffered Saline Solution (HBSS) and fix in 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA)/glucose for 5 min. Wash 3X with HBSS. The slides may be stored at -80°C after all liquid is removed. For each chamber, 0.5 ml incubations are performed as follows. Add HBSS/saponin (0.1%) with 32 µl/ml of 1 M NaN₃ for 20 min. Cells are then washed with HBSS/saponin 1X. Add appropriate DCRS or DCRS/antibody complex to cells and incubate for 30 min. Wash cells twice with HBSS/saponin. If appropriate, add first antibody for 30 min. Add second antibody, e.g., Vector anti-mouse antibody, at 1/200 dilution, and incubate for 30 min. Prepare ELISA solution, e.g., Vector Elite ABC horseradish peroxidase solution, and preincubate for 30 min. Use, e.g., 1 drop of solution A (avidin) and 1 drop solution B (biotin) per 2.5 ml HBSS/saponin. Wash cells twice with HBSS/saponin. Add ABC HRP solution and incubate for 30 min. Wash cells twice with HBSS, second wash for 2 min, which closes cells. Then add Vector diaminobenzoic acid (DAB) for 5 to 10 min. Use 2 drops of buffer plus 4 drops DAB plus 2 drops of H₂O₂ per 5 ml of glass distilled water. Carefully remove chamber and rinse slide in water. Air dry for a few minutes, then add 1 drop of Crystal Mount and a cover slip. Bake for 5 min at 85-90°C.

Evaluate positive staining of pools and progressively subclone to isolation of single genes responsible for the binding.

Alternatively, receptor reagents are used to affinity purify or sort out cells expressing a putative ligand. See, e.g., Sambrook, et al. or Ausubel, et al.

Another strategy is to screen for a membrane bound receptor by panning. The receptor cDNA is constructed as described.

above. Immobilization may be achieved by use of appropriate antibodies which recognize, e.g., a FLAG sequence of a DCRS fusion construct, or by use of antibodies raised against the first antibodies. Recursive cycles of selection and 5 amplification lead to enrichment of appropriate clones and eventual isolation of receptor expressing clones.

Phage expression libraries can be screened by mammalian DCRS. Appropriate label techniques, e.g., anti-FLAG antibodies, will allow specific labeling of appropriate clones.

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All citations herein are incorporated herein by reference to the same extent as if each individual publication or patent application was specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference.

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Many modifications and variations of this invention can be made without departing from its spirit and scope, as will be apparent to those skilled in the art. The specific embodiments described herein are offered by way of example only, and the invention is to be limited by the terms of the appended claims, 20 along with the full scope of equivalents to which such claims are entitled; and the invention is not to be limited by the specific embodiments that have been presented herein by way of example.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A composition of matter selected from:
 - a) a substantially pure or recombinant DCRS3 polypeptide comprising at least three distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least four amino acids identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25;
 - b) a substantially pure or recombinant DCRS3 polypeptide comprising at least two distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least five amino acids identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25;
 - c) a natural sequence DCRS3 comprising mature SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25;
 - d) a fusion polypeptide comprising DCRS3 sequence;
 - e) a substantially pure or recombinant DCRS4 polypeptide comprising at least three distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least four amino acids identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31;
 - f) a substantially pure or recombinant DCRS4 polypeptide comprising at least two distinct nonoverlapping segments of at least five amino acids identical to segments of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31;
 - g) a natural sequence DCRS4 comprising mature SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31; or
 - h) a fusion polypeptide comprising DCRS4 sequence.
2. The substantially pure or isolated antigenic DCRS3 or DCRS4 polypeptide of Claim 1, wherein said distinct nonoverlapping segments of identity:
 - a) include one of at least eight amino acids;
 - b) include one of at least four amino acids and a second of at least five amino acids;
 - c) include at least three segments of at least four, five, and six amino acids, or
 - d) include one of at least twelve amino acids.
3. The composition of matter of Claim 1, wherein said:
 - a) DCRS3 polypeptide:

- i) comprises a mature sequence of Table 1;
- ii) is an unglycosylated form of DCRS3;
- iii) is from a primate, such as a human;
- iv) comprises at least seventeen amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25;
- 5 v) exhibits at least four nonoverlapping segments of at least seven amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 25;
- vi) comprises a sequence of at least 3 amino acids on each side across an exon boundary;
- 10 vii) is a natural allelic variant of DCRS3;
- viii) has a length at least about 30 amino acids;
- ix) exhibits at least two non-overlapping epitopes which are specific for a primate DCRS3;
- x) is glycosylated;
- 15 xi) has a molecular weight of at least 30 kD with natural glycosylation;
- xii) is a synthetic polypeptide;
- xiii) is attached to a solid substrate;
- xiv) is conjugated to another chemical moiety;
- 20 xv) is a 5-fold or less substitution from natural sequence; or
- xvi) is a deletion or insertion variant from a natural sequence; or

b) DCRS4 polypeptide:

- 25 i) comprises a mature sequence of Table 3;
- ii) is an unglycosylated form of DCRS4;
- iii) is from a primate, such as a human;
- iv) comprises at least seventeen amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31;
- 30 v) exhibits at least four nonoverlapping segments of at least seven amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 5, 28, or 31;
- vi) comprises a sequence of at least 3 amino acids on each side across an exon boundary;
- vii) is a natural allelic variant of DCRS4;
- 35 viii) has a length at least about 30 amino acids;

- ix) exhibits at least two non-overlapping epitopes which are specific for a primate DCRS4;
- x) is glycosylated;
- 5 xi) has a molecular weight of at least 30 kD with natural glycosylation;
- xii) is a synthetic polypeptide;
- xiii) is attached to a solid substrate;
- xiv) is conjugated to another chemical moiety;
- 10 xv) is a 5-fold or less substitution from natural sequence; or
- xvi) is a deletion or insertion variant from a natural sequence.

4. A composition comprising:

- 15 a) a substantially pure DCRS3 and another cytokine receptor family member;
- b) a sterile DCRS3 polypeptide of Claim 1;
- c) said DCRS3 polypeptide of Claim 1 and a carrier, wherein said carrier is:
 - i) an aqueous compound, including water, saline, and/or buffer; and/or
 - 20 ii) formulated for oral, rectal, nasal, topical, or parenteral administration; or
- d) a substantially pure DCRS4 and another cytokine receptor family member;
- 25 e) a sterile DCRS4 polypeptide of Claim 1;
- f) said DCRS4 polypeptide of Claim 1 and a carrier, wherein said carrier is:
 - i) an aqueous compound, including water, saline, and/or buffer; and/or
 - 30 ii) formulated for oral, rectal, nasal, topical, or parenteral administration.

5. The fusion polypeptide of Claim 1, comprising:

- 35 a) mature protein sequence of Table 1;
- b) mature protein sequence of Table 1;

- c) a detection or purification tag, including a FLAG, His6, or Ig sequence; or
- d) sequence of another cytokine receptor protein.

5 6. A kit comprising a polypeptide of Claim 1, and:

- a) a compartment comprising said protein or polypeptide; or
- b) instructions for use or disposal of reagents in said kit.

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7. A binding compound comprising an antigen binding site from an antibody, which specifically binds to a natural:

A) DCRS3 polypeptide of Claim 1, wherein:

- a) said binding compound is in a container;
- b) said polypeptide is from a human;
- c) said binding compound is an Fv, Fab, or Fab2 fragment;
- d) said binding compound is conjugated to another chemical moiety; or
- e) said antibody:
 - i) is raised against a peptide sequence of a mature polypeptide of Table 1;
 - ii) is raised against a mature DCRS3;
 - iii) is raised to a purified human DCRS3;
 - iv) is immunoselected;
 - v) is a polyclonal antibody;
 - vi) binds to a denatured DCRS3;
 - vii) exhibits a Kd to antigen of at least 30 μ M;
 - viii) is attached to a solid substrate, including a bead or plastic membrane;
- ix) is in a sterile composition; or
- x) is detectably labeled, including a radioactive or fluorescent label; or

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B) DCRS4 polypeptide of Claim 1, wherein:

- a) said binding compound is in a container;
- b) said polypeptide is from a human;
- c) said binding compound is an Fv, Fab, or Fab2 fragment;

- d) said binding compound is conjugated to another chemical moiety; or
- e) said antibody:
 - i) is raised against a peptide sequence of a mature polypeptide of Table 3;
 - ii) is raised against a mature DCRS4;
 - iii) is raised to a purified human DCRS4;
 - iv) is immunoselected;
 - v) is a polyclonal antibody;
 - vi) binds to a denatured DCRS4;
 - vii) exhibits a K_d to antigen of at least 30 μM ;
 - viii) is attached to a solid substrate, including a bead or plastic membrane;
 - ix) is in a sterile composition; or
 - x) is detectably labeled, including a radioactive or fluorescent label.

8. A kit comprising said binding compound of Claim 7, and:

- 20 a) a compartment comprising said binding compound; or
- b) instructions for use or disposal of reagents in said kit.

9. A method of producing an antigen:antibody complex, comprising contacting under appropriate conditions a primate:

- a) DCRS3 polypeptide with an antibody of Claim 7, thereby allowing said complex to form; or
- b) DCRS4 polypeptide with an antibody of Claim 7, thereby allowing said complex to form.

30 10. The method of Claim 9, wherein:

- a) said complex is purified from other cytokine receptors;
- b) said complex is purified from other antibody;
- c) said contacting is with a sample comprising an interferon;
- d) said contacting allows quantitative detection of said antigen;

- e) said contacting is with a sample comprising said antibody; or
- f) said contacting allows quantitative detection of said antibody.

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11. A composition comprising:

- a) a sterile binding compound of Claim 7, or
- b) said binding compound of Claim 7 and a carrier, wherein said carrier is:
 - i) an aqueous compound, including water, saline, and/or buffer; and/or
 - ii) formulated for oral, rectal, nasal, topical, or parenteral administration.

15 12. An isolated or recombinant nucleic acid encoding said:

A) DCRS3 polypeptide of Claim 1, wherein said:

- a) DCRS3 is from a human; or
- b) said nucleic acid:
 - i) encodes an antigenic peptide sequence of Table 1;
 - ii) encodes a plurality of antigenic peptide sequences of Table 1;
 - iii) exhibits identity over at least thirteen nucleotides to a natural cDNA encoding said segment;
 - iv) is an expression vector;
 - v) further comprises an origin of replication;
 - vi) is from a natural source;
 - vii) comprises a detectable label;
 - viii) comprises synthetic nucleotide sequence;
 - ix) is less than 6 kb, preferably less than 3 kb;
 - x) is from a primate;
 - xi) comprises a natural full length coding sequence;
 - xii) is a hybridization probe for a gene encoding said DCRS3; or
 - xiii) is a PCR primer, PCR product, or mutagenesis primer; or

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B) DCRS4 polypeptide of Claim 1, wherein said:

- a) DCRS4 is from a human; or
- b) said nucleic acid:
 - i) encodes an antigenic peptide sequence of Table 3;
 - ii) encodes a plurality of antigenic peptide sequences of Table 3;
 - 5 iii) exhibits identity over at least thirteen nucleotides to a natural cDNA encoding said segment;
 - iv) is an expression vector;
 - v) further comprises an origin of replication;
 - vi) is from a natural source;
 - vi) comprises a detectable label;
 - viii) comprises synthetic nucleotide sequence;
 - ix) is less than 6 kb, preferably less than 3 kb;
 - 10 x) is from a primate;
 - xi) comprises a natural full length coding sequence;
 - xii) is a hybridization probe for a gene encoding said DCRS4; or
 - xiii) is a PCR primer, PCR product, or mutagenesis primer.

13. A cell or tissue comprising said recombinant nucleic acid of Claim 12.

25 14. The cell of Claim 13, wherein said cell is:

- a) a prokaryotic cell;
- b) a eukaryotic cell;
- c) a bacterial cell;
- d) a yeast cell;
- 30 e) an insect cell;
- f) a mammalian cell;
- g) a mouse cell;
- h) a primate cell; or
- i) a human cell.

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15. A kit comprising said nucleic acid of Claim 12, and:

- a) a compartment comprising said nucleic acid;

- b) a compartment further comprising a primate DCRS3 or DCRS4 polypeptide; or
- c) instructions for use or disposal of reagents in said kit.

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16. A nucleic acid which:

- a) hybridizes under wash conditions of 30 minutes at 30° C and less than 2M salt to the coding portion of SEQ ID NO: 1 or 24; or
- b) exhibits identity over a stretch of at least about 30 nucleotides to a primate DCRS3;
- a) hybridizes under wash conditions of 30 minutes at 30° C and less than 2M salt to the coding portion of SEQ ID NO: 4, 27, or 30; or
- b) exhibits identity over a stretch of at least about 30 nucleotides to a primate DCRS4.

17. The nucleic acid of Claim 16, wherein:

- a) said wash conditions are at 45° C and/or 500 mM salt; or
- b) said stretch is at least 55 nucleotides.

18. The nucleic acid of Claim 16, wherein:

- a) said wash conditions are at 55° C and/or 150 mM salt; or
- b) said stretch is at least 75 nucleotides.

19. A method of modulating physiology or development of a cell or tissue culture cells comprising contacting said cell with an agonist or antagonist of a mammalian DCRS3 or DCRS4.

20. The method of Claim 19, wherein said cell is transformed with a nucleic acid encoding a DCRS3 or DCRS4 and another cytokine receptor subunit.

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Ala Pro Asp Ser Gln Lys Leu Thr Thr Val Asp Ile Val Thr Leu Arg
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Gln Lys Gln Glu Trp Ile Cys Leu Glu Thr Leu Thr Pro Asp Thr Gln
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Arg Arg His Val Lys Leu Asp Pro Pro Ser Asp Leu Gln Ser Asn Ile
115 120 125

Ser Ser Gly His Cys Ile Leu Thr Trp Ser Ile Ser Pro Ala Leu Glu
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Pro Met Thr Thr Leu Leu Ser Tyr Glu Leu Ala Phe Lys Lys Gln Glu
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